PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

OF THE

Evangelical Lutheran Synod

OF

NEBRASKA,

CONVENED AT

BEATRICE, NEBRASKA,

SEPTEMBER 27th to OCTOBER 4th, 1887.

ALSO

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REV. C. HUBER,	REV. WM. ROSENSTENGEL.

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

To be the Tuesday evening before the first full moon in September.

PLACE OF MEETING.

Left to the Officers of Synod.

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The Fifteenth Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska met in Trinity Lutheran Church, Beatrice, Neb., Rev. G. H. Albright, pastor, at 7:30 p. m., Sept. 27, 1887.

The President, Rev. C. Huber, preached the opening sermon in the English and German language, taking for his text 2 Cor. iii. 5.

On motion, the opening business session of Synod was postponed till 2 p. m., on the following day, to allow the Woman's Convention time to complete their business.

FIRST DAY.—FIRST SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 28TH, 2 P. M.

The first business session of Synod was formally opened by the President, Rev. C. Huber, using the form given in the Book of Worship for morning services. A portion of God's Word was read and prayer offered.

Roll Call.

The roll was called by the Secretary, and lay delegates were requested to hand in their certificates.

The following is a list of Clerical and Lay Delegates:

Clerical.	Entered Ministry.	Post Office.	Lay.
1. W. F. Eyster	1841	Crete, Neb	Henry Hendricks.
2. L. Knight	1845	Yutan, Neb	J. Bender.
3. S. Cook	1851	Springfield, Neb	
4. J. Zimmerman	1856	Dakota City, Neb.	
5. S. Aughey, LL. D	1858	Hot Springs, Ark.	
6. J. G. Grönmiller	1857	Hanover, Kan	Fred. Brokmyer.
7. G. H. Schnur	1860	Benedict, Neb.	
8. M. J. Tjaden	1860	Lennox, Dak.	
9. C. Baird	1861	Covington	Sam'l Whitehorne.
10. H. Siekmann	1862	Hastings, Neb.	
11. J. Wolff	1863	Sterling, Neb.	
12. J. G. Griffith	1867	Auburn, Neb.	
13. Wm. Thoele (*a*)	1870	Carrico, Neb.	
14. J. Gutleben	1870	Home, Kan	Henry Monke.
15. L. L. Lipe	1870	Lincoln, Neb	L. F.M. Easterday.
16. R. Neumaerker	1872	Barada, Neb	J. Heinselman.
17. J. S. Detweiler	1873	Omaha, Neb.	
18. I. N. Augustine (*a*)	1874	Carleton, Neb.	
19. D. H. Shultz	1875	Potter, Neb.	
20. J. W. Kimmel	1876	McCook, Neb	E. H. Walker.
21. C. Moessner	1876	Columbus, Neb.	
22. F. W. Scheibel	1876	Amazon, Neb.	
23. J. H. Dirks	1876	Febing, Neb.	
24. B. F. Pugh	1877	Rising City, Neb	J. C. Nycum.
25. C. Huber	1877	Omaha, Neb.	
26. E. J. Hall	1877	McCook, Neb.	
27. J. N. Zimmer	1878	Elk City, Neb.	
28. G. H. Albright	1879	Beatrice, Neb.	
29. Wm. Rosenstengel	1878	Grand Island, Neb.	
30. A. F. Ludwig	1879	West Point, Neb.	
31. J. N. Lenker	1880	Grand Island, Neb.	
32. M. L. Melick	1880	Wayne, Neb	B. F. Feather.
33. F. Spriegel	1880	Centre Valley, Neb.	
34. Adam Stump	1880	North Platte, Neb.	
35. A. B. Shrader	1881	Grand Island, Neb	D. C. Zink.
36. H. W. Fricke	1881	Hooper, Neb.	
37. W. T. Grommisch	1882	St. Joseph, Mo.	
38. F. M. Andreason	1883	Rapid City, Dak.	
39. C. Sick	1883	Fontanelle, Neb.	
40. K. J. Starner	1884	Kearney, Neb.	
41. J. F. Kuhlman	1858	Roca, Neb	J. Stein.

Clerical.	Entered Ministry.	Post Office.	Lay.
42. C. Thomsen	1884	Laramie, Wy.	
43. J. C. Jacoby	1878	West Point, Neb	W. E. Krause.
44. G. H. Schnur, Jr. . .	1885	Omaha, Neb	F. W. Melcher.
45. H. Schumann . . .	. .	Boheet, Neb.	
46. H. P. Hansen . . .	1881	Denver, Col.	
47. C. A. Roos	1886	Pueblo, Col.	
48. O. L. Luschei . . .	1886	Greenleaf, Kan.	
49. C. Anderson	1864	Potter, Neb.	
50. G. F. Stucklein . . .	.	Falls City, Neb.	
51. W. C. McCool . . .	1887	Wayne, Neb.	
52. H. O. Opsal	1886	Laramie City, Wy. Ter.	
53. R. A. White	1886	Tekamah, Neb.	
54. C. L. T. Fischer . .	. .	Sidney, Neb.	
55. C. J. Beckman . . .	1886	Cheyenne, Wy.	
56. B. Sickel	. .	Rockport, Mo	Heinrich Vette.
57. A. Jatho	1887	Hooper, Neb.	
58. K. Kreuger	1886	Ponca, Neb.	
59. Fred. Schwarz . . .	1887	Gothenberg, Neb.	
60. H. Klockenmeyer .	. .	De Witte, Neb.	
61. J. Bond	. .	Ohiowa, Neb.	
62. H. C. Fultz	. .	Yutan, Neb.	
63. Fred. Gafert.			
64. M. Kossick	. .	Ridgeley, Neb.	
65. H. C. Roernaess . .	. .	Norway, Republic Co., Kan	

The following named congregations now presented petitions, and, on motion, were cordially received into full connection with this Synod:

St. Mark's, Omaha, Nebraska—Rev. G. H. Schnur, Jr., pastor.

Zion's, Hanover, Kansas—J. G. Grönmiller, pastor.

President's Report.

The President, Rev. C. Huber, read his annual report, which was received and referred to a Committee.

The following is the report:

Beloved Fathers and Brethren of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits.

It becomes us to begin this Fifteenth Annual Convention of our Synod with thanksgiving in our hearts, and with praise upon our lips. Another year of labor and toil is ended, and, being preserved by a kind and loving Father, we are again permitted to meet in Synodical Convention.

The past year has been one of unusual prosperity and blessing to our churches. The work of our hands has been owned and blessed of God. Our ministerial ranks have been unbroken by death; the health of the brethren has been very good; and the work has been pressed with energy and vigor.

Great peace and harmony have prevailed throughout our bounds. Pastors and people have labored together for the advancement of Christ's kingdom among men. Much good seed has been sown, though often with tears, and great will be the harvest that shall be gathered from this sowing. Let us ever remember, brethren, that with us, in this Western field, is the saying especially true, "One soweth and another reapeth." Hence let us only sow good seed. According to the usual custom, and the requirements of our Constitution, I would herewith most respectfully submit to you a report of my official acts during the past year.

RESIGNATIONS.

1. Rev. Chr. Sick resigned the Ponca charge (German) the same taking effect Oct. 3, 1886.

2. Rev. John Frank the congregation at Plattsmouth (German), the same taking effect Nov. 14, 1886.

3. Rev. Wm. Thoele, his charge at Ohiowa (German), the same taking effect the latter part of March, 1887.

4. Rev. C. Huber, Zion's Evangelical Lutheran congregation at Yutan, the same taking effect Dec. 31, 1886.

5. Rev. F. M. Andreason, the Scandinavian Lutheran church at Laramie, Wyoming, the same taking effect April 13, 1887.

6. Rev. H. C. Fultz, Zion's Evangelical Lutheran congregation at Yutan, the same taking effect on August 1, 1887.

7. Rev. John Frank, the German Lutheran congregation at Laramie, Wyoming, the same taking effect Aug. 31, 1887.

8. Rev. R. A. White, the Oakland charge, the same taking effect Aug. 28, 1887.

9. Feb. 27, 1887, Rev. C. Baird, the congregation at Homer, Neb.

DISMISSED TO OTHER SYNODS.

1. Sept. 20, 1886, Rev. M. L. Wilhelm to the East Ohio Synod.

2. April 30, 1887, Rev. Robert Atkin, to the Northern Illinois Synod.

3. Sept. 10, 1887, Rev. G. W. Simpson, to the West Pennsylvania Synod.

APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSION.

The following brethren having presented letters of honorable dismissal from their respective Synods, are hereby recommended to be received as members of this body:

1. Oct. 22, 1886, Rev. R. A. White, from the Kansas Synod.

2. Feb. 4, 1887, Rev. C. L. T. Fischer, from the Maryland Synod.

3. March 9, 1887, Rev. J. Bond, from the Wartburg Synod.

4. April 16, 1887, Kev. H. C. Fultz, from the East Pennsylvania Synod.

5. July 30, 1887, Rev. B. Sickel, from the Wartburg Synod.

6. Sept. 10, 1887, Rev. M. Kossick, from the Wartburg Synod.

7. Sept. 14, 1887, Rev. C. J. Beckman, a licentiate from the Synod of Northern Illinois.

8. According to the action of the Ministerium one year ago, Rev. H. O. Opsal was to forward to me his ordination papers and all accessible printed or written documents, or copies of the same, relating to his former ministerial standing, and if deemed satisfactory by the President, he shall be received as a member of Synod. Rev. H. O. Opsal complied with this condition, his papers were found satisfactory, and he was received as a member of this body.

BY AD-INTERIM LICENSE.

1. Rev. J. F. Mueller, Oct. 12, 1886.

2. Rev. Karl Krueger, Oct. 12, 1886.

3. Rev. A. Jatho, June 9, 1887.

4. Rev. F. Schwarz, June 9, 1887.

5. Bro. Naffziger, July 23, 1887, in order to supply the church at Central City for a few months.

CALLS ACCEPTED.

1. October 3, 1886, Rev. J. F. Mueller, the German work at Wayne and Emerson.

2. October 3, 1886, Rev. Karl Krueger, the German work of Ponca charge.

3. Rev. John Frank, November 30, 1886, the German congregation at Laramie, Wyo.

4. October, 1886, Rev. C. L. T. Fischer, the appointment of the Board of Home Missions to Sidney.

5. January 1, 1887, Rev. C. Huber, the call of the Synodical Committee to the Traveling Secretaryship of Nebraska Synod.

6. February 13, 1887, Rev. H. C. Fultz, Zion's Lutheran congregation at Yutan.

7. In February, 1887, Rev. G. F. Stuecklin, a German congregation near Falls City, Neb.

8. March 20, 1887, Rev. J. Bond, the German Ev. Lutheran congregation at Ohiowa, Neb.

9. May 1, 1887, Rev. Wm. Thoele, St. John's German Ev. Lutheran congregation in Hayes county, Neb.

10. May 15, 1887, Rev. F. M. Andreason commenced work at Rapid City, Dakota, among the Scandinavians.

11. June, 1887, Rev. H. O. Opsal, the Scandinavian Lutheran church at Laramie, Wyo.

12. June, 1887, Rev. M. Kossick, a German Lutheran congregation at Ridgeley, Dodge Co., Neb.

13. June, 1887, Rev. C. J. Beckman, the appointment of the Board of Home Missions to Cheyenne, Wyo.

14. March 1, 1887, Rev. W. C. McCool, the call to the congregation at Homer, Neb.

INSTALLATIONS.

1. March 13, 1887, Rev. G. F. Stuecklin was installed pastor of St. John's congregation, Arago, Richardson Co., Neb. Rev. R. Neumaerker preached the sermon, and Rev. J. H. Dirks performed the liturgical service.

2. April 3, 1887, Rev. John Frank was installed pastor of the German Ev. Lutheran congregation at Laramie, Wyo., Rev. C. Huber officiating.

3. March 20, 1887, Rev. J. Bond, of the German congregation at Ohiowa, Rev. Wm. Thoele, officiating.

4. May 30, 1887, Rev. Wm. Thoele, of St. John's German congregation in Hayes Co., Neb., Rev. C. Huber officiating.

5. June 12, 1887, Rev. G. H. Schnur, Jr., of St. Mark's Mission, Omaha, Neb. Rev. H. K. Fenner, Louisville, Ky., delivered the charge to the pastor, Rev. H. W. Kuhns, D. D., Westminster, Md., the charge to the people, and Rev. C. Huber performed the liturgical service.

6. August 14, 1887, Rev. H. O. Opsal, as pastor of the Scandinavian Lutheran congregation at Laramie, Wyo. Rev. C. J. Beckman delivered the charge to the people, and Rev. C. Huber to the pastor, and performed the liturgical service.

LAYING OF CORNER-STONES.

1. October 17, 1886, the corner-stone of Salem's Ev. Lutheran church was laid, Rev. C. Baird, pastor. He was assisted by Revs. J. C. Jacoby and W. C. McCool.

2. October 31, 1886, the corner-stone of the Lutheran church was laid at Roca, Neb., Rev. J. F. Kuhlman, the pastor, officiating.

3. May 26, 1887, the corner-stone of the Lutheran church at McCook, Neb., was laid. The pastor, Rev. J. W. Kimmel, was assisted by Revs. E. J. Hall and C. Huber, who preached the sermon.

4. August 7, 1887, the corner-stone of the Scandinavian Lutheran Church at Denver, Colorado, was laid: Rev. H. P. Hansen, the pastor, was assisted by Mr. Adams, Governor of the State, Revs. P. A. Heilman and C. Huber.

5. August 7, 1887, the corner-stone of the First Scandinavian Lutheran Church at Rapid City, Dakota, was laid. The pastor, Rev. F. M. Andreason, was assisted by Rev. J. C. Jacoby, who preached the sermon.

6. August 21, 1887, the corner-stone of Grace Chapel was laid at South Sioux City; the pastor, Rev. C. Baird, was assisted by Revs. D. L. Mackenzie and W. C. McCool.

7. September 18, 1887, the corner-stone of Zion's Evangelical Lutheran Church was laid at Benedict, Neb.; the pastor, Rev. G. H. Schnur, was assisted by Rev. S. B. Barnitz and C. Huber. Rev. Barnitz preached the sermon.

DEDICATIONS.

1. October 10, 1886, the Parochial School-house, at Febing, Neb., Rev. J. H. Dirks, pastor, was dedicated. Rev. W. T. Grommisch preached the sermon.

2. January 2, 1887, the Evangelical Lutheran Church, at North Platte, was dedicated. Rev. Adam Stump, the pastor, was assisted by Revs. S. B. Barnitz, A. B. Shrader and Wm. Rosenstengel. Rev. S. B. Barnitz preached the sermon.

3. January 16, 1887, the Lutheran Church at Franklin, Neb., was dedicated. The pastor, Rev. J. W. Kimmel, was assisted by Revs. S. B. Barnitz and J. N. Lenker.

4. March 6, 1887, Zion's Evangelical Lutheran Church, at Roca, Neb., was dedicated. The pastor, Rev. J. F. Kuhlman, was assisted by Revs. J. G. Grönmiller, L. L. Lipe and C. Huber. Rev. Grönmiller preached in German, and Rev. Lipe in English.

5. April 17, 1887, Salem's Evangelical Lutheran Church was dedicated. The pastor, Rev. C. Baird, was assisted by Revs. S. B. Barnitz and W. C. McCool. Rev. Barnitz preached the sermon.

6. May 29, 1887, St. John's German Evangelical Lutheran church was dedicated. The pastor, Rev. Wm. Thoele, was assisted by Rev. C. Huber, who preached the sermon.

7. June 12, 1887, St. Mark's chapel at Omaha, Neb., was dedicated. The pastor, Rev. G. H. Schnur, Jr., was assisted by Rev. H. L. Baugher, D. D., J. S. Detweiler, and W. S. Freas. The sermon was preached by Dr. Baugher.

8. July 24, 1887, Zion's Evangelical Lutheran church at Central City, Neb., was dedicated, Rev. C. Huber officiating.

9. September 25, 1887, Trinity Evangelical Lutheran church at McCook, Neb., was dedicated. The pastor, Rev. J. W. Kimmel, was assisted by Rev. P. A. Heilman, of Denver, Colo., and Rev. P. Ewald, of Long Island, Kans. Rev. Heilman preached the sermon. The size of the building is 32x55 feet, with recess pulpit, at a cost of $4800.

NEW CONGREGATIONS ORGANIZED.

1. December 5, 1886, Rev. C. Baird organized St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran congregation at Homer, Neb.

2. December, 12, 1886. Rev. G. H. Schnur, Jr., organized St. Mark's Evangelical Lutheran congregation at Omaha, Neb.

3. March 31, 1837, Rev. J. G. Griffith organized St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran congregation at Falls City, Neb., with seven members.

4. May 1, 1887, Rev. Wm. Thoele organized St. John's German Evangelical Lutheran congregation in Hayes county, Neb,

5. June 26, 1887, Rev. A. B. Shrader organized Zion's Evangelical Lutheran congregation at Central City, Neb.

6. March 26, 1887, Rev. F. M. Andreason organized the Bergen Evangelical Lutheran congregation of Rapid City, Dak.

VACANCIES.

1. Nebraska City is still vacant.

2. The English congregation at Ponca is vacant now about a year.

3. The Oakland charge was made vacant by the resignation of Rev. R. A. White, August 28th.

4. The German congregation at Laramie, Wyoming, was made vacant the last Sunday in August, by the resignation of Rev. J. Frank.

5. The congregation at Yutan was made vacant August 1st, by the resignation of Rev. H. C. Fultz.

Since this report has been made out, I have received word that the congregation at Ponca has called a pastor.

VACANCIES SUPPLIED.

1. During the year I spent one week at Nebraska City. While there my time was occupied in doing regular pastoral work. My intention was to arrange for a regular supply, but on account of the property difficulty the people did not think it wise.

2. I was also at Ponca once. I spent a Sabbath with our people there. By an arrangement which was made while there, the Lord's Supper was administered to the congregation by a visiting minister. Rev. R. A. White supplied the pulpit on the 4th of September.

The last three congregations mentioned have been made vacant very recently. We hope and pray that all of them may be speedily supplied with men after God's own heart.

CHANGING THE TIME OF SYNOD.

July 21, 1887, I received a petition which was signed by a number of the ministers of Synod, requesting to change the time of Synod from August 30th to September 27th.

The reasons that were given were:

1. Lack of time to make the Synodical apportionment.

2. It being too early in the season, which would bring it into the hot weather.

According to their request, the time of Synod was changed to the present.

CIRCULAR LETTERS.

At three different times during the year letters were sent out by me to all our pastors, giving them a financial statement of our Synod. In this way all had an idea of what was required to bring the treasury of our Synod into proper condition. I have reason to believe that these statements were received with favor, and that good was accomplished. No small part of my time was taken up with the necessary correspondence of the Synod.

EXPENSES.

My expenses during the year for stationery, postage, and traveling expenses, including eight dollars which are due Rev. J. C. Jacoby, who went, at my request, to assist in laying the corner-stone at Rapid City, Dakota, amount to $19.04.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. In order to get our Synodical Treasury into better condition, I would recommend that we make an apportionment for two years at this Convention.

2. That the President of Synod be ex-officio member of the Synodical

Committee on Traveling Secretary, unless the two offices are filled by the same man, in order that there be perfect harmony in the workings of the Synod.

3. That hereafter the Advisory Mission Committee be discontinued, and its work merged into that of the Synodical Committee on Traveling Secretary.

And now, dear brethren, my work as your presiding officer is done. I have endeavored to discharge the duties thereof with pleasure, conscientiously, impartially, and with a view to God's glory. I now hand back to you the trust you had committed unto me. I thank you most heartily for the honor you have now these three times bestowed upon me. My prayer is that God may lay His hand upon one more worthy than myself.

Respectfully submitted, C. HUBER.

BEATRICE, NEB., *September 28, 1887.*

EVENING SERVICES.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, 7:30.

The subject of Home Missions was presented by Rev. W. T. Grommisch in the German, and by Rev. J. G. Griffith in the English language.

Collection, $11.39.

SECOND DAY—FIRST SESSION.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 29, 1887, 8:30 A. M.

Rev. C. Moessner led the devotional exercises.

9:00 a. m., business session opened with prayer.

Roll called.

Minutes read and approved.

Time of Opening and Closing Sessions.

Devotions—8:30 to 9:00 a. m.

Business—9:00–10:00 a. m., 1:30–5:00 p. m.

Evening Services, 7:30.

Treasurer's Report.

Prof. L. F. M. Easterday, Treasurer, presented the following report which was referred to the Auditing Committee:

To the President and Members of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska:

For the interval between September 4, 1886, and September 23, 1887, I present the following report:

1. HOME MISSIONS.

On hand September 4, 1886		$27 31
Received from Pastors		554 28
Total		$581 59
Paid to C. S. Weiser, Treasurer		512 46
Balance on hand		$69 13

2. FOREIGN MISSIONS.

On hand September 4, 1886		$7 24
Received from Pastors—Regular	$589 95	
India College	122 50	
India Hospital	13 00	
Nichols Memorial	10 00	735 45
Total		$742 69
Paid to O. F. Lantz, Treasurer	$603 21	
Paid to J. A. Clutz, Treasurer	55 00	
Paid to Mrs. Hamma, Treasurer	13 00	671 21
Balance on hand		$71 48

3. CHURCH EXTENSION.

On hand September 4, 1886		$22 76
Received from Pastors—Regular	$460 85	
"12 Church Coll."	47 00	507 85
Total		$530 61
Paid to E. G. Smyser, Treasurer		490 00
Balance on hand		$40 61

4. GENERAL SYNOD.

On hand September 4, 1886	$44 50
Received from Pastors	47 06
Total	$91 56
Pail to Alex. Gebhart, Treasurer	81 00
Balance on hand	$10 56

5. SYNODICAL TREASURY.

On hand September 4, 1886	$8 55
Received from Pastors	192 60
Total	$201 15

Paid expenses of President	$5 50	
" " English Secretary	5 25	
" " German Secretary	9 00	
" Rev. Jacoby for blanks	1 00	
" " Stump's expenses to Cheyenne	9 50	
" " Rosenstengel's expenses to Cheyenne	19 75	
" English Minutes	100 71	
" German "	81 35	
" Stationery, stamps, etc	5 26	237 32
Treasury overdrawn		$36 17

6. BENEFICIARY EDUCATION.

Received from Pastors		$349 54
Overdrawn September 4, 1886	$31 50	
Paid W. H. Naffziger	130 00	
" Rev. S———, Chicago Seminary	56 00	217 50
Balance on hand		$132 04

7. FOREIGN BENEFICIARY EDUCATION.

Received from Pastor.	$3 00
Paid Ruhmer	3 00

8. PASTORS' FUND.

On hand, September 4, 1886	$5 00
Received from Pastors	3 00
Total	$8 00
Paid to Rev. Dr. Albert, Treasurer	7 00
Balance on hand	$1 00

9. TRAVELING SECRETARY OF NEBRASKA SYNOD.

Received from Pastors	$26 00
Paid to J. F. Wilhelmy, Treasurer	26 00

10. ORPHANS' HOMES.

On hand September 4, 1886		$10 20
Received from Pastors		10 50
Total		$20 70
Paid to Syracuse	$11 25	
Paid to Loysville	8 95	20 20
Balance on hand		50

11. KEARNEY MISSION.

On hand September 4, 1886	$19 26
Balance on hand.	19 26

12. CHICAGO SEMINARY BUILDING FUND.

On hand September 4, 1886	$6 50
Received from Pastors	37 50
Total	$44 00
Paid Rev. J. D. Severinghaus	44 00

13. CHARLESTON CHURCHES.

Received from Pastors	$15 50
Paid to Rev. E. T. Horn, D. D.	15 50

14. ROCA CHURCH.

Received from Pastor	$10 00
Sent to Rev. J. F. Kuhlman	10 00

15. REV. HANSEN'S CHURCH.

Received from Pastor		$5 00
Paid to Rev. H. P. Hansen		5 00
Total receipts during year	$2497 28	
In treasury at beginning of year	119 82	
		$2617 10
Total paid out during year		2308 69
Balance in treasury		$308 41

The tabulated exhibit herewith presented is also an important part of my report. Vouchers for funds paid out are in readiness to be placed with this report in the hands of the Auditing Committee.

I beg to call attention to the action of the Synod taken two years ago at Grand Island, to the effect that "all funds the account of which is intended to appear in the annual report of the Treasurer, must be sent to that officer not later than two weeks before the opening of Synod."

Although this report was closed just three working days before the opening of Synod, yet still later funds have been received, the account of which the senders were very anxious to have to appear on this report, and I very much wish even yet that I could gratify them.

Submitted most respectfully,

L. F. M. EASTERDAY,

Treasurer Ev. Luth. Synod of Nebraska.

Treasurer's Exhibit for Synodical Year Ending September 23, 1887.

Number.	Name of Place.	Name of Pastor or Sender.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.			Church Extension.		General Synod.	Synodical Treasury.	Beneficiary Education.	Foreign Beneficiary Education.	Pastors' Fund.	Traveling Secretary of Nebraska Synod.	Orphans' Homes.	Chicago Seminary Building Fund.	Charleston Lutheran Churches.	Roca Church.	Hansen's Church.	Totals.
				Regular.	India College.	India Hospital.	Regular.	12 Church Collections.												
1	Beatrice	G. H. Albright	$2 25	$7 61																$8 86
2	Carlton	I. N. Augustine	2 00	5 00			$2 10			$2 00										11 10
3	Laramie, Wyo	F. M. Andreason	6 00	5 00			5 00		$ 50											16 50
4	Laramie, Wyo	H. O. Opsal	6 00	6 00			5 00		1 00	3 00	$5 00									26 00
5	Laramie, Wyo	J. Frank	1 00	1 00			1 00		1 00	3 00										12 00
6	Salem Church	C. Baird	11 00								28 00			$5 00						39 00
7	Omaha	J. S. Detweiler	120 00	115 50	100 00		112 00		6 00	17 50	43 60					$12 00	$8 75			514 60
8	Febing	J. H. Dirks	25 00	108 00			20 00			10 00										183 75
9	Waverly	W. F. Eyster	23 00	23 70			16 80		1 65	8 00	12 80									85 95
10	Hooper	H. W. Fricke	5 00	15 00																23 00
11	Auburn and Stella	J. G. Griffith	18 00	14 00			15 00		80	2 80	25 00	3 00		10 00	$5 00					91 00
12	Fontanelle	J. Gutleben	15 00	10 00			6 40		1 15	6 40										38 95
13	St. Joseph, Mo.	W. T. Grommisch	3 50	3 50					50	2 50	9 50					$10 50				30 45
14	Hanover, Kan	J. G. Grönmiller	39 00	24 00			37 70		3	12 00	60 70									183 20
15	Denver	H. P. Hansen	2 25				5 75													8 00
16	Yutan	C. Huber	5 00	14 79	22 50	13 00	10 00		5 00	3 00	5 00									58 29
17	Yutan	H. C. Fultz	1 60				1 60			3 40			1 00							7 60
18	West Point	J. C. Jacoby	12 00	12 00			20 50		4 26	5 50	9 64			10 00						79 50
19	McCook *et al.*	J. W. Kimmel	17 30	15 00			16 20	$17 00		5 50									5 00	70 80
20	Roca	J. F. Kuhlman	11 00	18 00			11 00		2 00	6 00	9 90									57 00
21	Morrill, Kan.	J. F. Kuhlman	10 50																	10 50
22	Ponca	Carl Krueger					18 00													18 00
23	Lincoln	L. L. Lipe					7 10		2 00	3 50	7 10						6 75			57 52
24	Greenleaf, Kan.	O. L. Luschei	3 25	3 20			2 80			2 50	5 00									16 00
25	Homer	W. C. McCool	5 00	5 00			5 00			2 00										17 00
26	Dakota City	W. C. McCool	5 00	5 00			3 45			2 00										15 45
27	Columbus	Ch. Moessner	48 00	20 00					2 00	5 00	15 00					5 00		10 00		105 00
28	Wayne	M. L. Melick	9 60	9 60			8 00		75	4 00	8 00									39 95
29	Barada	R. Neumaerker	8 60	8 75			5 00		1 00						5 00					36 35

Number	Name of Place.	Name of Pastor or Sender.	Home Missions	Foreign Missions. Regular	Foreign Missions. India College	Foreign Missions. India Hospital	Church Extension. Regular	Church Extension. 12 Church Collections.	General Synod	Synodical Treasury	Beneficiary Education	Foreign Beneficiary Education	Pastors' Fund	Traveling Secretary of Nebraska Synod	Orphans' Homes	Chicago Seminary Building Fund	Charleston Lutheran Churches	Roca Church	Hansen's Church	Totals.
30	Rising City & D. City	B. F. Pugh	$12 10	$10 60			$8 80		$ 80	$4 40	$8 80									$45 50
31	Grand Island	Wm. Rosenstengel	10 00	10 00			10 00		2 00	6 55	10 00									48 55
32	Center Valley	F. W. Spriegel	12 00	12 00			10 00		1 00	5 00	10 00					$10 00				61 00
33	Grand Island	A. B. Shrader	8 00			$5 00	17 00			3 00	7 00									40 00
34	Grand Island	J. N. Lenker		4 16					50	1 10										5 76
35	North Platte	Adam Stump	12 80	7 50			16 00		50	2 00	3 15									41 95
36	Benedict	G. H. Schnur	13 10	12 00			25 90	$30 00		5 00	13 00									88 00
37	Omaha	G. H. Schnur, Jr.	10 00	10 00		5 00	8 80		1 60	4 50	8 60									48 50
38	Bobcet	H. Schumann	6 00	8 00							8 00									16 00
39	Kearney	K. J. Starner							1 85	7 00										8 85
40	Ohiowa	Wm. Thoele	8 75	4 00			1 00			3 40			1 00		1 50					16 15
41	Carrico	Wm. Thoele	1 00	1 00					1 00	1 00	1 00									8 90
42	Sterling	J. Wolf		3 91							10 00									13 91
43	Oakland	R. A. White	13 80	16 80			9 35		2 45	11 15	14 80									68 15
44	Potter	C. Anderson								5 00										5 00
45	Twin Grove, Wis	R. Atkins								5 00										5 00
46	Yutan	J. Knight								1 00										1 00
47	Dakota City	J. Zimmerman								2 00										2 00
48	Nebraska City	G. H. Meyer	2 00				5 00		1 00	1 00	1 00									10 00
49	Ponca	S. K. Bittenbender	2 60				13 80		1 25	6 90	4 85									30 00
50	Ponca	A. B. Shrader	7 65																	7 65
51	Tekamah	A. A. Crandell	11 00																	11 00
52	Auburn	Synodical Collections	8 81	9 67																18 48
	Totals		$54 28	$89 95	$22 50	$23 00	$160 85	$47 00	$47 06	$92 60	$349 54	$3 00	$26 00	$10 50	$37 50	$15 50	$10 00	$5 00		$2497 28
		On hand Sept. 4, 1886																		119 80
		Total received during Synodical year ending Sept. 23, 1887																		$2617 10

Now comes Rev. J. C. Jacoby, President of North Platte Conference, and, in a neat little speech, presents the President with block and gavel.

The President responded in a happy manner.

Revs. Ingram and Vail, pastors of the city, were received as guests.

Election of Officers.

Revs. Jacoby and Neumaerker were appointed tellers. The following officers were elected:

President—Rev. G. H. Schnur, Sr.

English Secretary—Rev. A. B. Shrader.

German Secretary—Rev. C. Thomsen.

Treasurer—Prof. L. F. M. Easterday.

Resolutions.

The following preamble and resolutions were presented by Prof. L. F. M. Easterday, and adopted by Synod, by a rising vote:

WHEREAS, In answer to a late communication from our Treasurer addressed to E. G. Smyser, of York, Pa., a son writes, under date of the 24th of September—"Father died on the 22d instant,"

Resolved, That it is with profound sorrow that our Nebraska Synod learns of the death of the Treasurer of our Board of Church Extention, E. G. Smyser, who has served our Church long and faithfully and efficiently as an officer of one of our Boards, and who has by his gentle and genial bearing at the Conventions of our General Synod, to an unusual extent endeared himself to our Church at large.

Resolved, That a copy of this paper, with the assurance of the most lively sympathy of the Nebraska Synod for them in their affliction, be forwarded to the family of our departed friend and brother, E. G. Smyser.

A Committee on time of opening and closing Synod was appointed.

Rev. Fischer was appointed to furnish items on action of Synod for the daily papers of Beatrice.

Rev. J. F. Kuhlman was appointed to act on Education Committee in Rev. Detweiler's place until Rev. Detweiler shall arrive.

By motion, it was decided that the Committee on Constitution be heard at 2 p. m. to-day.

Rev. H. O. Opsal was appointed to report the doings of Synod to the Norwegian papers.

Rev. G. H. Schnur, Jr., to *Lutheran Observer* and *Evangelist.*

Rev. R. Neumaerker, to German papers.

Rev. C. J. Beckman, to Swedish papers.

Adjourned to give the President opportunity to appoint committees.

Adjourned with prayer.

SECOND DAY—SECOND SESSION.

2 P. M.

Opened with prayer.

Minutes read and approved.

Rev. H. C. Roernaess, Norway, Kansas, was received as an advisory member of Synod.

Committee on Constitution presented the following report, which was adopted item by item:

Proposed Constitution.

PREAMBLE.—*In Nomine Jesu! Amen.*

We, Ministers and Lay Delegates of the Lutheran Churches in Nebraska, accepting and adopting the Constitution of the "General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States of America," "receiving and holding with the Evangelical Lutheran Church of our fathers, the Word of God, as contained in the Canonical Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, as the only infallible rule of faith and practice, and the Augsburg Confession as a correct exhibition of the fundamental doctrines of the Divine Word and of the faith of our Church founded upon that Word," do ordain and adopt for ourselves the following

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.—*Name.*

SECTION 1. The name, style and title of this Synod shall be the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska.

Adopted.

ARTICLE II.—*Authority.*

SECTION 1. This Constitution shall always be interpreted to be in harmony with the "Formula for the Government and Discipline of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the General Synod in the United States of America," which "Formula" is hereby declared to be the authoritative law upon all points not provided for in this Constitution.

Adopted.

ARTICLE III.—*Of Members.*

SEC. 1. Any Evangelical Lutheran congregation or pastoral charge may become connected with the Synod, if within its bounds, by acceding to the provisions of this Constitution.

Adopted.

SEC. 2. This Synod shall consist of all the ordained Lutheran ministers and licentiates, together with the lay delegates from the pastoral districts within its bounds who submit to this Constitution.

Adopted.

SEC. 3. Each pastoral district shall have the right to send one lay delegate to Synod. Any congregation or congregations not properly organized into a pastoral charge, so as to be represented by a regular delegate, may send a commissioner to Synod, who may be heard in behalf of said congregation or congregations, but he shall have no vote.

Adopted.

SEC. 4. All duly accredited delegates of other ecclesiastical bodies shall be accorded the privileges of corresponding membership.

Adopted.

SEC. 5. Any regularly ordained minister of any Evangelical church may, upon motion, be courteously introduced to the Synod by the President.

Adopted.

SEC. 6. No minister or licentiate shall be absent from the meeting of Synod without the most urgent necessity. In case of his absence he shall send to the Synod a written apology for the same. Voluntary ministerial engagements shall not be regarded as a sufficient excuse. Any minister or licentiate violating the provisions of this section shall be called to an account by the President at the next meeting of Synod, when such action thereon may be taken as the Synod may determine.

Adopted.

SEC. 7. Written excuses for absence, letters, and papers intended for Synod shall be addressed to the President.

Adopted.

SEC. 8. The ordinary duties and privileges of ordained ministers, licentiates, and lay delegates, are such as are enumerated in Chapter X. of the "Formula," q. v.

Adopted.

SEC. 9. Each pastor, on entering upon the duties of his pastorate, shall see

that his congregation is properly incorporated, and that a duplicate copy of the certificate of incorporation is recorded and placed on file with the archives of the Synod.

SEC. 10. It shall be the duty of the pastor when he resigns his charge, accepts a call in the bounds of this or any other Synod, organizes a new congregation, when a corner-stone is laid, or a church consecrated, to report the same immediately to the President of Synod.

SEC. 11. Whenever a pastor leaves a charge, he shall furnish to the President of Synod a parochial report up to the time of resignation; and until such report is furnished, a letter of dismissal shall not be granted by the President.

ARTICLE IV.—*Officers.*

SEC. 1. The officers of Synod shall be a President, Secretary, German Secretary, Statistical Secretary, Scandinavian Secretary, and Treasurer. The President, Secretary, and German Secretary, who are also the officers of the Ministerium, shall be chosen from among the ordained ministers. The Statistical Secretary and Treasurer may be either ministers or laymen.

SEC. 2. All these officers shall be annually chosen by ballot by a majority of the votes of the ministers, licentiates, and lay delegates present. The same persons shall not be eligible to the same offices for more than three successive years.

SEC. 3. For the duties of the President and Secretary, see Formula, Chapter IX.

SEC. 4. The German Secretary shall keep a faithful and accurate record of all the proceedings of Synod in the German language; shall furnish German translations of any official writings when required by the President or Synod; give notice in the German church papers of the time and place of the Synodical meeting, at least six weeks previous to the time appointed; and discharge all other duties usually devolving on the German Secretary of such a body.

SEC. 5. The Statistical Secretary shall collect and classify facts concerning each congregation in connection with this Synod. He shall record the date of organization; the ministers who served it in their successive order; and the rate of increase, together with such other facts as may be of interest. He shall collect and classify facts concerning the history of this Synod. He shall keep a register of the names of the ministers and licentiates, arranged according to their age in office; when and how they entered the Synod; and the date and manner of their dissolution therefrom. He shall keep a complete history of the Synod.

SEC. 6. The Treasurer shall take charge of the moneys belonging to Synod, and shall keep them subject to its order, signed by the President and Secretary; he shall keep and present at each annual meeting of Synod, a detailed and faithful account of the state of the treasury. He shall give a bond in the sum of two thousand dollars for the faithful performance of the duties of his office.

SEC. 7. Should he remove out of the bounds of the Synod, depart this life,

resign, or become disqualified for the discharge of his duties, the President shall take charge of all the moneys, certificates, bonds, etc., belonging to Synod, and retain them until a Treasurer is elected at the next meeting of Synod.

ARTICLE V.—*Of Vacant Congregations.*

SECTION 1. A call for pastor to a vacant congregation can neither be given nor accepted until the congregation has first met its obligations to the retiring pastor.

SEC. 2. For further instruction see Chapters VI. and XIII. of the "Formula."

ARTICLE VI.—*Miscellaneous.*

SECTION 1. For duties and powers of Synod; Election of Delegates, Directors, and Trustees; Process against a Minister; Special Conferences; Ministerium; Examination and Licensure; Ordination and Installation—see Formula.

Adopted.

SEC. 2. When a delegate elect to the General Synod shall remove beyond the bounds of this Synod before the meeting of the General Synod, he shall not be entitled to represent the Synod; *provided always*, that ministers who are in the general service of the Church shall be exempt from the effect of this law.

SEC. 3. The Synod shall elect three persons as Trustees and for a term of three years, except at the first meeting, when the one having the highest number of votes shall be elected for three years, the one having next to the highest for two years, and the one next to the second for one year.

The duties of the Trustees shall be to hold the property of the Synod, and also to have the custody of the legal papers and documents belonging to the Synod, and to do such other business as legally pertains to the office of Trustee.

SEC. 4. The Synod shall designate some place of safe deposit where shall be kept all the important documents and legal papers of the Synod. These having been so deposited, they shall be taken out only in the presence of and by the three trustees, or by any two trustees in company with the President of Synod.

SEC. 5. At each annual Convention of Synod, the President shall appoint the following standing committees: (1) Educational and Examining Committee, consisting of five ordained ministers; (2) Advisory Home Mission Committee, to be composed of the President, Secretary, German Secretary, and Scandinavian Secretary, *ex-officio*; (3) Committee on "Synodical Traveling Secretary," to be composed of at least seven ministers and laymen, centrally located and contiguous to each other.

ARTICLE VII.—*Annual Meetings.*

SECTION 1. Every public service for the preaching of the Word, including the opening session of Synod, shall be conducted according to the "Order of Worship" as laid down in the Liturgy.

SEC. 2. In the absence of the President, the Secretary shall conduct the opening exercises, and in the absence of both, the members present may elect others *pro tempore*.

SEC. 3. The Synod shall meet annually for the transaction of business, at such time and place as may have been determined. Special meetings may be called by the President, when requested in writing by one-third of the ordained ministers of Synod. Of such meeting, notice must be given in the church papers at least three weeks previous, stating the object; and the business shall be confined to what is stated in the call.

SEC. 4. Two fifths of the members of Synod shall constitute a quorum, provided that one-third of the ordained ministers of Synod be present.

SEC. 5. The order for the transaction of business shall be the following:

(1) Devotional Exercises.
(2) Calling the Roll of Ordained Ministers and Licentiates.
(3) The Reception of Lay Delegates with Written Credentials.
(4) President's Annual Report.
(5) Treasurer's Annual Report.
(6) Election of Officers.
(7) Reception of Applicants for Membership, and Admission of Delegates or Ministers from other Ecclesiastical Bodies. See Article III, Sections 4 and 5.
(8) The Minutes of Last Synodical Meeting Read or Referred to a Committee.
(9) Presentation of Documents and Papers.
(10) On or before the close of the first day's session the President shall appoint the following committees:
  (*a*) On President's Report.
  (*b*) To Audit Treasurer's Report.
  (*c*) On Minutes of Last Meeting.
  (*d*) To Summarize Parochial Reports.
  (*e*) On Leave of Absence.
  (*f*) On Letters and Papers.
  (*g*) On English Conferences.
  (*h*) On German Conferences.
  (*i*) On Resolutions.
  (*j*) On Apportionment.
  (*k*) On Synodical Calendar.
(11) Reports of Standing Committees.
(12) Reports of Delegates, Directors, Trustees.
(13) Reports of Special Committees.
(14) Vacant Congregations.
(15) Unfinished business.
(16) New and Promiscuous Business.
(17) Election of Delegates, Directors, and Trustees.
(18) Choice of the time and place for next meeting of Synod.
(19) Adjournment.

ARTICLE VIII.—*Alterations and Amendments.*

SECTION 1. This Synod may at any regular meeting adopt or repeal such by-laws as circumstances may require, provided they are not inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Constitution.

SEC. 2. This Constitution may be amended, provided such amendment be set forth in writing in the precise words of the proposed change, and as such be incorporated in the minutes, and provided that at the next annual meeting of the Synod two-thirds of all the members present agree to the amendment proposed.

BY-LAWS.

1. In all transactions and discussions of Synod, the English and German languages shall have equal rights.

2. Motions made or discussed in either language, not understood by other members, shall, by their request, be properly interpreted.

3. Synod shall make provision for the publication of its annual proceedings proportionately to the amount raised in both these and the Scandinavian languages.

Preamble deferred until last.

Art. I., Sec. 1. Adopted.

Art. II., Sec. 1. Adopted.

Art. III., Sec. 1. Adopted.

Sec. 2. Adopted.

Sec. 3. Adopted.

Sec. 4. Adopted.

Sec. 5. Adopted.

Sec. 6. Adopted.

Sec. 7. Adopted.

Sec. 8. Adopted.

Sec. 9. Adopted.

Sec. 10. Adopted as amended

Art. IV., Sec. 1. Amended, Scandinavian Secretary.

Sec. 2. "Shall be," for "are" in first line.

Sec. 3. Adopted.

Sec. 4. Amended to read, "The German and the Scandinavian Secretary shall keep a ——— proceedings of Synod in their respective language; shall furnish translations, ——— give notice in the German or Scandinavian church papers, respectively, ——————— devolving on the German or Scandinavian Secretary of such a body.

Sec. 5. Adopted.

Further consideration of the report postponed until to-morrow morning's session.

The President announced the following Committees:

List of Committees.

1. *President's Report*—Revs. J. G. Griffith, J. F. Kuhlman, C. Moessner.

2. *Auditing Committee*—Revs. J. C. Jacoby, J. Gutleben, Mr. Crannell.

3. *Minutes of Last Year*—Revs. B. F. Pugh, O. L. Luschei, and Mr. J. J. Stein.

4. *Parochial Reports*—Revs. G. H. Schnur, Jr., W. T. Grommisch, and Mr. J. Bender.

5. *Reception of New Congregations*—Revs. L. L. Lipe, H. Siekmann, and Mr. F. Brockmeyer.

6. *On Excuses*—Revs. M. L. Melick, C. Sick, and Mr. D. C. Zink.

7. *On Apportionment*—Revs. A. Stump, J. H. Dirks, and Mr. S. Whitehorne.

8. *Letters and Papers*—Revs. J. S. Detweiler, C. Huber, Wm. Rosenstengel, J. N. Lenker, and R. Neumaerker.

9. *Minutes of North Platte Conference*—Revs. J. W. Kimmel, J. Wolff, and Mr. Henry Monk.

10. *Minutes of South Platte Conference*—Revs. R. A. White, C. Baird, and Mr. Mueller.

11. *Western Conference*—Revs. W. F. Eyster, K. Krueger, and Mr. Schwarz.

12. *German Conference*—Revs. J. F. Kuhlman, B. F. Pugh, and Mr. J. Bender.

13. *On Resolutions*—Revs. C. L. T. Fischer, J. G. Grönmiller, and J. Bond.

14. *Synodical Calendar*—Revs. A. B. Shrader, C. Thomsen, and Mr. E. H. Walker.

15. *Vacant Congregations*—Revs. L. L. Lipe, H. W. Fricke, H. O. Opsal.

Time fixed for Saturday morning at 9 o'clock to hear Committee on Homer Academy.

Adjourned with prayer.

EVENING SESSION.

THURSDAY EVENING.

The subject of Foreign Missions was presented by Rev. C. Thomsen, in the German, and Rev. M. L. Melick, in the English language.

Collection amounted to $10.23.

THIRD DAY—FIRST SESSION.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 30, 1887, 9 A. M.

Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. B. F. Pugh.

Synod opened with prayer.

Roll called.

Minutes read and approved.

Adoption of the Constitution continued.

Art. IV., Sec. 6, amended: "The Treasurer shall take charge of the moneys belonging to Synod, giving receipts for the same, holding the Synodical Fund subject to its orders, but forwarding all others to the Treasurers of the respective Boards monthly.

Sec. 7. Adopted.

Art. V., Sec. 1. Adopted.

Sec. 2. Adopted.

Adjourned with prayer.

THIRD DAY—SECOND SESSION.

1:30 P. M.

Opened with prayer.

Minutes read and approved.

Moved and carried, that the Committee on Reception of New Congregations be now heard.

The following report was presented:

Report of Committee No. 5—New Congregations.

Your Committee on Reception of New Congregations respectfully submit the following:

We have received and examined petitions from the following named congregations, asking admission into the Nebraska Synod:

1. The Evangelical Lutheran St. John's, of Polk township, Atchison county, Mo.
2. The First Evangelical Lutheran Church of Rock Port, Atchison county, Mo.
3. The Evangelical Lutheran Zion's congregation, Gothenberg, Dawson county, Neb.
4. Zion's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Central City, Merrick county, Neb.
5. Evangelical Lutheran St. Paul's congregation of Franklin county, Neb.
6. Evangelical Lutheran St. John's, Hayes county, Neb.
7. The German Evangelical St. Paul's Church, of Hastings, Adams county, Neb.

After a careful consideration of these petitions, and the Constitutions therewith presented, we recommend that these congregations be received into full connection with this Synod.

G. H. ALBRIGHT,
H. SIEKMANN,
FREDERICK BROCKMEYER,
Committee.

Adopted.

Adoption of Constitution was continued.

Art. VI., Sec. 1. Adopted.

Sec. 2. Adopted.

Sec. 3. Amended.

Sec. 4. Amended.

Sec. 5. Laid on the table until after the report of traveling Secretary is heard.

Art. VI., Sec. 3. The Synod shall elect three persons, who with the President and Secretary, shall constitute the Executive Council of this Synod, and who shall serve for a term of three years.

The duties of the Executive Council shall be to hold the property of the Synod and to have the custody of the legal papers and documents belonging to Synod, and to do such other business as legally pertains to the office of Executive Council, as provided for by the statutes of the State of Nebraska.

Sec. 4. After words "presence of and by," cut out remainder

of section and substitute "at least three members of the Executive Council."

Art. VII., Sec. 1. Adopted.

Sec. 2. Adopted.

Sec. 3. Adopted.

Sec. 4. Adopted.

Sec. 5. (*1*) On Standing Committees, added.

(10) Amended to read, "The President shall appoint the following Committees."

Adopted as a whole.

Art. VIII., Sec. 1. Adopted.

Sec. 2. Adopted.

Moved and carried that Sec. 2, Art. IV., be reconsidered. Amended. Add, "Excepting the Treasurer and Statistical Secretary."

By-Laws No. 3. Amended, "and Scandinavian." By-Laws then adopted.

Report of Committee No. 1—On President's Report.

The Committee on President's Report offered the following report, which was adopted item by item, and as a whole.

The document placed in the hands of your Committee is the President's annual report, which they have carefully examined and are ready to submit the following:

The President has given us a carefully prepared account of his official acts, the growth and development of our Church, within the bounds of our Synod, and such recommendations as he thought wise to present to this body. The Synod surely has abundant reasons for joining with the President in giving praise to the Great Head of the Church for His innumerable blessings.

Six new congregations have been organized, seven corner-stones laid, and nine churches dedicated to the service of the Triune God. Our gain in the ministerial ranks has been seven.

Your Committee would offer the following:

1. *Resolved*, That an order be drawn on the Treasurer for $19.04, in favor of Rev. C. Huber, being the amount due him for stationery and traveling expenses.

2. *Resolved*, That the Apportionment Committee be authorized to assess a sufficient amount to relieve the embarrassed condition of the Synodical Treasury.

3. *Resolved*, That the President of Synod be an *ex-officio* member of the Synodical Committee on Traveling Secretary.

4. *Resolved*, That the Synodical Committee on Traveling Secretary be the Advisory Home Mission Committee of this Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

J. G. GRIFFITH,
J. F. KUHLMAN,
CHR. MOESSNER.

Committee on Minutes of Last Year reported.

Considered item by item.

Pending consideration, Synod adjourned with prayer.

EVENING SERVICE.

The subject of Church Extension was presented by Rev. A. Stump, who chose as his theme, "The Symbolical Significance of Church Architecture."

Rev. J. N. Lenker, special representative of the Board of Church Extension, spoke a few moments on God-help, Man-help, and Self-help in building churches.

Collection amounted to $10.28.

FOURTH DAY—FIRST SESSION.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1887, 9 A. M.

8:30 a. m. Devotional services conducted by Rev. Neumaerker.

9 a. m. Synod called to order.

Opened with prayer.

Roll called.

Minutes read and approved.

Committee on Homer Academy reported.

Adopted item by item.

Preamble adopted.

Pending discussion, Synod adjourned with prayer.

FOURTH DAY—SECOND SESSION.

1:30 P. M.

Synod opened with prayer.

Minutes read and approved.

Examining Committee excused from this business session of Synod.

Committee on Minutes of Last Year reported.

Report of Committee No. 3.

Your Committee on Minutes of Last Year's Convention would respectfully report the following:

1. Your Committee find that the English and German minutes do not exactly harmonize in making full reports, especially with reference to the new constitution for congregations, and pledges taken for Traveling Secretary.

2. Have the Committee on Traveling Secretary been able to collect pledges made for the same? Page 43. (They have.)

3. Why was copy of the Form of Constitution for Congregations not published in our minutes of Synod, as directed by resolution? Page 18. (Ex-Secretary will answer.)

4. Is the Committee on our interest at Cheyenne ready to report? Page 43. (Yes.)

5. Is the Committee "of Kaiser and Klockenmeyer" ready to report? Page 43. (Committee to answer.)

6. Have the Delegates to the last General Synod complied with the request of Synod? Page 33. (Referred to Report of Delegates of General Synod.)

7. Has the Executive Council of this body attended to the matter of Incorporation? Page 43. (Progress reported.)

Respectfully,

B. F. PUGH,
O. L. LUSCHEI,
J. J. STEIN.

Adopted as a whole.

Moved and carried, that Monday be given to the consideration of Home Missions.

Report of Committee No. 10.

We, your Committee on the Minutes of the South Platte Conference beg leave to submit the following:

We have examined the minutes of the two meetings held during the year, and find nothing claiming the attention of this body.

R. A. WHITE,
C. BAIRD,
J. T. MUELLER.

Report of Committee No. 2—Auditing Committee.

We, your Committee, would report that we have carefully examined the Treasurer's report, and find it all correct.

We would recommend, however, that the action of Synod two years ago, viz., "That all funds, the account of which is intended to appear in the annual report of the Treasurer, must be sent to that officer not later than two weeks before the opening of Synod," be incorporated as a By-Law of our Synod.

Respectfully,

J. C. JACOBY,
GEORGE A. CRANNELL,
J. GUTLEBEN,
Committee.

Report of Committee No. 6—On Excuses.

Your Committee would respectfully report:

1. That letters received from Bros. E. J. Hall, A. T. Ludwig, Charles Roos, M. J. Tjaden, Wm. Thoele, Herman Schumann, Lloyd Knight, and Charles Anderson, asking to be excused for non-attendance at this convention, have been examined, and your Committee recommend that all these brethren be excused.

2. That letters received from Bros. W. C. McCool, J. S. Detweiler, and J. N. Lenker, asking to be excused from the first sessions of Synod, were examined, and your Committee would recommend that these brethren be excused.

3. That the following brethren in attendance have been excused: Bros. Bond, J. H. Dirks, G. A. Crannell, B. Sickel, and J. G. Griffith.

4. Your Committee would refer the letters of Bros. Kossick and G. F. Stuecklein to the Synod.

M. L. MELICK,
CHR. SICK,
D. C. ZINK,
Committee.

First three items adopted. Letters of Revs. Kossick and Stuecklein referred to Synod. These brethren were excused. Adopted as a whole.

Report of Committee on North Platte Conference.

Your Committee on North Platte Conference report two meetings held during the year, the first at Wayne, the second at Oakland. In the minutes of the second session we find a resolution desiring a missionary for the Elkhorn Valley. Has anything been done? Yes. A missionary has been appointed and is now in the field.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. KIMMEL,
J. WOLFF,
HENRY MONKE.

3:00 p. m. Synod adjourned with prayer, to meet in business session at the close of preparatory exercises.

PREPARATORY SERVICES.

Preparatory Services were conducted by Rev. G. H. Schnur, Jr., and R. Neumaerker.

Synod then entered into a meeting of the Ministerium.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

LUTHERAN.

Morning—Rev. L. L. Lipe, of Lincoln.
Evening—Rev. J. S. Detweiler, of Omaha.

CHRISTIAN.

Morning—Rev. Prof. W. C. McCool, of Wayne.
Evening—Rev. J. W. Kimmell, of McCook.

BAPTIST.

Evening—Rev. C. L. T. Fischer, of Sidney.

CONGREGATIONAL.

Morning—Rev. A. B. Shrader, of Grand Island.
Evening—Rev. C. Huber, of Omaha.

PRESBYTERIAN.

Morning—Rev. W. F. Eyster, of Crete.
Evening—Rev. S. B. Barnitz, of Des Moines, Iowa.

FIFTH DAY—FIRST SESSION.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 3, 1887, 9:00 A. M.

After one-half hour spent in devotional exercises, led by the President, Synod opened with prayer.

Roll called.

Minutes read and approved.

The report of the Committee on Homer Academy was again considered.

On motion, the said report was referred back to the Committee.

Home Missions being the order of the day, the Advisory Board of Home Missions offered the following report:

Amended and adopted.

Report of Advisory Home Mission Committee.

Dear Brethren: Your Committee to whom were entrusted the Home Mission interests of our Synod, would respectfully make the following report:

No easy task was given into our hands, to have oversight of the work, and to give advice on such important matters. Ours is especially a mission Synod, and the work that is pressing upon us is simply unspeakably great.

It was my pleasure to be able to visit all the regular Missions of our Synod during the past year, and also many other places where mission work ought to be done. It gives me great joy to know that the work within our bounds has been constantly enlarging until the "little one" of a few years ago has become a "thousand." We would herewith give a brief report of the regular missions within the bounds of our Synod.

1. *Auburn and Stella.*—This Mission has been taking some steps in advance during the year. The debt which was still resting on the church at Auburn has been removed, so that the loan from the Board of Church Extension could be paid back. The entire time of the pastor can now be given to the spiritual well-being of his flock and those committed to his care. The mission is large, and for the proper development of the same, it should be divided. There is sufficient territory to occupy the time of two ministers; but on account of the lack of the proper men and sufficient money, that seems at present impossible.

2. *Beatrice.*—It will be needless to say much about this Mission. If we knew nothing of it before, we all have a very good opportunity to learn something about it. The mission has not been without its trials and difficulties, but we have reason to believe that it has been made better thereby. The fact that it has undertaken the task to entertain this great body, is a sign of its strength and vigor. The work has been progressing during the year, the congregation is harmonious and united, and the membership has been increased, greatly increased, during the year.

3. *Boheet.*—This Mission is located in the country, and is served by Rev. H. Schumann. During the year a debt of about $200, which was still resting on the church property, was removed. The work at this point was commenced very humbly, yet it has been growing steadily, and the prospects for a good congregation are bright. Rev. Schumann is also preaching at several points besides. The work is being well and faithfully done.

4. *Butler County Mission.*—Rev. B. F. Pugh is the missionary. This mission consists of Rising City, David City, and several preaching stations in the country. It is a very large field, and too much for the strength of one man. During the year, one of the main features of the work in this Mission was the

looking after the interests of David City. Efforts were made by Bro. Pugh, the pastor, and others who assisted him, to build a church at this place during this season. I am not able to say how far the work has advanced in that respect. It is not improper to notice in this connection the great loss the mission has sustained in the death of Bro. Wm. P. Miller.

5. *Denver, Colorado.*—Rev. H. P. Hansen is our missionary at this place. The mission has been making steady progress during the year. Much hard work has been done under great disadvantages. The want of a church home is no little drawback. They are at present engaged in the erection of a house of worship on a very beautiful lot. The corner-stone of the same was laid on the 7th of August. When this church is completed, and paid for, we have reason to hope that the growth of the mission will be great.

6. *Grand Island.*—This Mission was served by Rev. Wm. Rosenstengel. I recently learned that since the meeting of the Genaral Synod at Omaha it declared itself self-sustaining. The Mission passed through quite an ordeal during the year, but I am glad to say that it gained a glorious victory. We trust that the time will not be far distant when we shall have a strong German congregation here.

7. *Hayes County, Neb.*—This mission is occupied since last April, and is being served by Rev. Wm. Thoele. It consists of a settlement of Germans in the above-named county. All the people throughout this district are beginners, and are poor in this world's goods; but I greatly rejoice to know that they are rich in things heavenly and divine. This is a most devoted people. A *sod church* was built by them, which was dedicated on Whitsunday. This is one of the most promising missions I ever saw.

8. *Kearney.*—Several times during the year I had occasion to visit Kearney, and thus came personally in contact with the work there. Rev. Starner is the pastor. He not only preaches at this place, but also at a number of other places. Faithful and earnest work has been done. The field which is now being supplied by the missionary is too large for one man. The people at Kearney are also very anxious to have regular services, and they are of the opinion that the congregation would grow more quickly. This is also my opinion; but again the lack of men and means stands in the way.

9. *Lennox, Dak.*—Rev. J. M. Tjaden is the missionary. I visited this mission last March. A service was held with the congregation, and the little house of worship was filled with an attentive audience. I presented to them the work of our church at large, and their own duty to the same. We trust that this Mission will soon become self-sustaining.

10. *Lincoln.*—Rev. L. L. Lipe is the missionary. This Mission is making progress. During the year the old church and lots were sold, and another more centrally located and most beautiful church site was secured. Preparations for the building of a new church have been made, and the object is to put the building under roof before cold weather commences. The Mission is composed of an intelligent and energetic membership, and with Bro. Lipe as their pastor, faithful and devoted to his work, we may hope to hear of good news in the future.

11. *North Platte.*—Rev. Adam Stump is the missionary. This Mission dedicated its church, which was in process of erection one year ago last January. It is a massive and grand structure. The work here is of a peculiar nature, but Bro. Stump, the pastor, is no doubt the right man in the right place. A good work has already been accomplished, and we look forward to the time when we shall have one of the strongest congregations at this place. Bro. Stump is also preaching at some other places within reach of North Platte.

12. *Omaha.*—Rev. G. H. Schnur, Jr., is the missionary. One year ago the work of this Mission was just commenced. Since that time considerable progress has been made in St. Mark's Mission. During the greater part of the year they were holding their services in a hall, but now they are occupying their own beautiful chapel. This chapel was dedicated, free of debt, last June. It is located in a growing part of the city, and a large field of usefulness lies before them. They have an interesting Sunday-school, and the attendance upon the divine services is very encouraging.

13. *Pueblo.*—This field is served by Rev. Chr. Roos, for now about one year. Pueblo is located in the south-eastern part of Colorado. The city is rapidly developing. Large numbers of Scandinavians are found in the same. Rev. Roos has labored there during the year amidst great self-denial and many discouragements. The great lack is a church building. The Board of Church Extension has promised to help them to a church site, and then the people will undertake to erect a building thereon. When this is once accomplished, the work will progress speedily.

14. *Republican Valley.*—Rev. J. W. Kimmel is the missionary. There has been a great development in this Mission since it was opened up. Long Island, Kans., has been taken from the same, and it is now a self-sustaining congregation. Two church buildings have been dedicated in the remaining part of the Mission, one at Franklin, and the other at McCook. There is enough work for several more men in that region of country. Rev. Kimmel has been doing hard and faithful work in this vast field.

15. *Roca.*—Rev. J. W. Kimmel is the missionary. A great work was accomplished in this Mission during the year. That which at one time seemed only to be a dream, has become a reality. A most beautiful church building was erected at this place during the past year. Much of this great success is largely due, under God, to the energy and self-denial of the faithful missionary, Rev. Kuhlman, a few earnest members, and the co-operation of the community. Most of the year Rev. Kuhlman preached also once a month at Morrill, Kans. If there were another place near to Roca, which could be supplied by this pastor, the Mission would soon be self-sustaining.

16. *Sidney.*—This place has now a faithful and earnest missionary. Rev. Fischer took charge of this field shortly after the meeting of our Synod last year. We have a very good beginning at Sidney. The congregation is contemplating the erection of a church, and it is likely that work on the same has been commenced. Rev. Fischer is also preaching at Kimball, a town further west, on the U. P. R. R. This place also promises fair for our church.

17. *Waverly.*—This Mission is still being supplied by Bro. Eyster, who is doing very efficient work. Some efforts have been made to make this point self-sustaining, and if all in the congregation will do their part they would no doubt be able to bear the burden alone. During the past year the remaining indebtedness on their church property was paid off, so that now the only thing claiming their attention is the support of the pastor and the benevolent operations of the Church.

18. *West Point.*—Rev. J. C. Jacoby is the missionary at this place. Here, also, a church debt was claiming the attention of the people, which I understand is now removed. This is a promising field, and, under the efficient care of its missionary, will no doubt be developed into a self-sustaining field in the near future. Bro. Jacoby is looking also after the interest of some other points in that region of country, which is such a rich field for our Church.

19. *Wayne.*—This Mission is being served by Rev. M. L. Melick. The work is steadily, though necessarily slowly, progressing. We have a field at Wayne, and the future of the church is secured. Wayne is the county seat of Wayne county, and will become a good-sized town. It may take some time yet until this Mission can become self-sustaining.

20. *York County.*—The great work in this Mission during the year, has been the raising of a debt of $300 remaining on the Bethel church, and the building of a church in the new town of Benedict. Both these enterprises are being worked successfully. The corner-stone of the new church has been laid, and the work on the superstructure is pushed forward. The pastor, Rev. Schnur, has been doing good and faithful work amidst many discouragements. This is a large and fertile field for our Church.

21. *Cheyenne, Wyoming.*—Rev. C. J. Beckman is the missionary at this place. He is there since last June. There is a field for us to cultivate in this city, although it is surrounded with trials and difficulties. There has been some progress made since Rev. Beckman is there, and we trust that the work will continue, and a good congregation be established. The great need in this place is a new church building, which we hope they may soon secure. These *twenty-one Missions* are the regular Missions of the Board within the bounds of our Synod.

It should be a source of great joy to us all to know that all these places have regular pastors to minister unto them in holy things. All the missionaries have been doing earnest and faithful work. It is also worthy of note that this number of Missions comprises more than *one-fifth* of all the Missions supported by the Board at this time.

THE FIELD OPEN TO US.

Whilst the above number of Missions is large, and whilst we should be grateful that so much is being done, yet when we look out upon the field, and see how white it is for harvest, we must exclaim: "What are they among so many?" And when we must see, as we so often do, that in this our harvest field, for I am now speaking of that which rightly belongs to us, there are

those reaping who had not sowed, our heart burns within us, and we are ready to call out mightily to the Church of the Reformation: "Awake, awake, put on thy strength, O, Zion!" Language is not able to describe this field; the mind is not able to take in the full extent of the same. It is unlimited in its resources. In order to get but a faint conception of its extent, take a map in your hand and look at the vast territory lying beyond the Missouri. There is scarcely a town where some of our people are not found, and the farming districts are literally teeming with thousands of people who are of our household of faith. Commencing at the eastern extremity of our Synod, and from there moving westward, wherever we are, wherever we look, the same is true. Those of you, my brethren, who are in the midst of this great field, and yet who are occupied with the work of your own charges, have really no idea what all this means. It is useless for me to commence mentioning places, for there would be so many that you would weary to hear them. But you may say, what can we do? are we not already doing all we can? I hope you are, and am glad that so much is being done; but might we not do a little more to extend the Redeemer's kingdom among men?

It is but right and proper, in this connection, to make some reference to the work which is being done by Revs. D. H. Shultz and C. Anderson. The former is preaching at Potter every alternate Sabbath, and the latter preaches also every alternate Sabbath in the country among the Swedes. These brethren will no doubt be present at the Convention of Synod, and report their labors to the same. And now, permit me to call your attention to a few points.

1. Let us do all we can that wherever and whenever it is possible to branch out from the immediate field which God has given us, that we do so. There are often points which we might visit occasionally, and thus hold the people to their church life, and supply them with the bread of life. Our people should, and no doubt will be willing to permit such occasional visits to other points. We must see to it that we occupy more ground—not to the neglect of the one field, but it should not be to the loss of the other.

2. We want to be more faithful and loyal to the Boards of our Church. As already stated, as a Synod we are certainly favored, having such a large number of mission churches within our bounds. Hence we should labor diligently that as much as we are able to raise for the treasuries of the Boards, we feel it a pleasure and privilege to do so.

3. We would have a number of places to recommend as mission points, but having neither the men to occupy them, nor the money to support them, we will forbear. May the Lord God continue to bless our efforts and grant us grace to be faithful to our trust.

NEW MISSIONS.

During the year four new missions were taken on the funds of the Board, which are Hayes county, Pueblo, Sidney, and Cheyenne.

MADE SELF-SUSTAINING.

As already noticed, the German Mission at Grand Island declared itself self-sustaining some time ago.

Respectfully submitted,

G. H. ALBRIGHT,
WM. ROSENSTENGEL,
C. HUBER.

Bro. S. B. Barnitz, as an advisory member of Synod and Western Secretary of the Board of Home Missions, was now heard on the subject of Home Missions.

Time for adjournment having arrived, adjourned with prayer.

FIFTH DAY—SECOND SESSION.

MONDAY, 1:30 P. M.

Opened with prayer.

Reading and correction of minutes.

Report of Advisory Board of Home Missions was concluded.

Report of Committee on Traveling Secretary adopted.

Items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, adopted *seriatim*, including the Traveling Secretary's report.

Report of Committee on Traveling Secretary.

Your Committee appointed to direct the work of the Traveling Secretary present the following:

OMAHA, SEPTEMBER 21, 1887.

Mr. President and Brethren of Nebraska Synod: Your Committee, appointed at the meeting of Nebraska Synod at Auburn, 1886, would respectfully report:

1. That the Committee met in Omaha October 25, 1886, and regularly organized by electing Rev. J. S. Detweiler, Chairman, P. S. Leisenring, Secretary, and J. F. Wilhelmy, Treasurer.

2. That Mr. J. F. Wilhelmy, Rev. C. Huber and Mr. Robert Weidensall were selected as a Committee to devise ways and means for the support of the Traveling Secretary.

3. The Traveling Secretary's salary was fixed at $1,250 dollars per year, and his traveling expenses.

4. That Rev. C. Huber was selected to be the Traveling Secretary, and his time to commence January, 1887.

5. The duties of the Traveling Secretary we defined as follows:

(*a*) To assist pastors in their work.

(*b*) To visit and advise with and supply vacant congregations.

(*c*) To visit, examine into, and, if deemed practicable, to organize new congregations or fields of work.

(*d*) To encourage and foster the spirit of general benevolence.

(*e*) To report to the Committee the progress of his work at least every three months, or oftener if requested by the Chairman of the Committee.

6. That, owing to the resignation of Rev. C. Huber as a member of the committee, Rev. Geo. H. Schnur, Jr., was elected to fill the vacancy caused by said resignation.

7. That the Committee decided to hold its regular meetings quarterly.

8. That the Committee held meetings in Omaha, January 10th, April 11th, and July 11th, 1887, and transacted the business pertaining to its work.

9. That the Traveling Secretary be requested to report to Synod a summarized account of his work in the field.

Respectfully, P. S. LEISENRING,
Secretary of Committee.

OMAHA, NEB., *Sept.* 26, 1887.

To the Committee on Traveling Secretary of Nebraska Synod:

Your Treasurer respectfully reports:

(1) Estimated annual expense of maintaining the work, $1600.

(2) Total amount subscribed, $1336.51.

(3) Receipts on subscription.		$840 01
(4) Expenditures:		
(*a*) To Rev. C. Huber	$443 75	
(*b*) For printing, stationery, and traveling expenses .	125 70	
		569 45
Balance.		$270 56

(5) There is now due Rev. C. Huber, for salary and expenses, more than the balance reported in the hands of the Treasurer.

J. F. WILHELMY, *Treasurer.*

BRIEF REPORT OF THE SECRETARY.

To give a report of the work done the last nine months is simply impossible in so brief a space as dare be taken in the Synodical minutes. Most of the pastors and congregations of our Synod have come personally in contact with this new work, and therefore the plan has been laid before them, and in many places special work was done.

It might be stated here, and this should indeed be kept in mind, that the work was new—rather what might be called an experiment—and, therefore, great allowance must be made on that account. It was new work for the Committee which was appointed by the Synod to direct the same, and it was equally as new for their Secretary, whom they sent out into the field. It would not be becoming for me to speak especially of what has been accomplished during this time, nor would it be possible to speak of great results. It has been a time of sowing and planting, and the season of ingathering, we

trust, will come. As the one to whom this work was intrusted by the Committee, I can simply say that I have endeavored to be faithful, conscientious and impartial in my work.

Nearly the entire time was given to the work out in the field. The following is a summary of the work, which will give a limited idea of how the time was employed :

Places visited	87
Miles traveled by rail	8099
Miles traveled by conveyance	546
Sermons preached	113
Letters written	409
Postals written	65

We leave the result of this with God, trusting that great good may follow.

In addition to the above reports, the chairman states that he has received letters from all the pastors visited by Rev. C. Huber, and that these communications are in the highest degree satisfactory to the committee concerning the acceptability of the Secretary. They are unqualified in praise and commendation of the services rendered, and indicate general satisfaction with the plan followed, and also convey the assurance of great benefit to the entire work of Nebraska Synod.

The committee also take pleasure in stating to Synod that a steward of the Lord—not a member of the Lutheran Church, and who desires that his name be not given to the public—has donated to the committee through Mr. Robt. Weidensall, five hundred dollars, to be applied on the erection of a building for a residence of the secretary in Omaha. This donation was received with thanks, and by resolution it was placed in the hands of Mr. Robert Weidensall, who, as trustee of the fund, was authorized to invest the same at a fair rate of interest.

In view of the above indications of success attending the work of the Traveling Secretary thus far, we are profoundly grateful to God, and are encouraged to make the following recommendations :

First.—That the work of Traveling Secretary be continued, and that greater efforts be put forth to make it more efficient in the future.

Second.—That the number of the Executive Committee be increased to nine, and that a German pastor and layman be added to the present number, in order that the German work of the Synod may receive the fullest attention from the committee.

Third.—That the Committee be authorized to secure at least $1,600 for the work of the next year, commencing January 1, 1888.

Fourth.—In view of the very faithful and efficient work of Rev. C. Huber, that his services be continued.

Fifth.—That the Committee be empowered to make the District Conferences of Synod more efficient in the development of church work and workers, by entering into correspondence with the officers through the Synodical Traveling Secretary.

Sixth.—That the Committee be authorized to encourage and arrange for special conferences of neighboring ministers and laymen in as many of our churches as will be found convenient.

Seventh.—That this Committee make special efforts to develop Bible study among the membership of the church, and to circulate, as far as possible, the best Christian literature, including the church papers, periodicals and books.

Eighth.—That the Committee be authorized to appoint corresponding members of the Committee, if necessary, to enable them to accomplish the work that ought to be done.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. DETWEILER, *Chairman.*

The other members of the Committee are:

P. S. LEISENRING, M. D., *Secretary,*
MR. J. F. WILHELMY, *Treasurer,*
REV. L. L. LIPE,
REV. GEO. H. SCHNUR, JR.,
MR. ROBERT WEIDENSALL,
PROF. L. F. M. EASTERDAY.

The following resolution was read and adopted:

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of this Synod are due and hereby tendered to the unknown friend who gave to the Committee on Synodical Traveling Secretary the sum of $500.00 toward a home for the use of the Secretary, and that Bro. Robert Weidensall be requested to communicate this action of the Synod to our *unknown friend.*

The report of the Committee on Constitution was again taken up for consideration.

On motion, Sec. 5, Art. VI., was taken from the table.

Amended by striking out "President" and substituting "Synod," and inserting "at least" before "seven"—and Scandinavian section added. Adopted.

The preamble was then read and adopted.

And adopted as a whole.

The following resolutions of thanks were unanimously adopted:

Resolutions of Thanks.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Synod be tendered to the following railroads for favors granted: the B. M. & R., the U. P., and the N. W.

Resolved, That we express our hearty thanks to the pastor of this church, Rev. G. H. Albright, to his people, and to the friends of the church, for the kind and generous hospitality extended to the members of Synod during their stay in their midst.

Resolved, That thanks be publicly expressed to the congregation by the President to-night.

C. L. T. FISHER,
J. G. GRÖNMILLER.
J. BOND.

Resolved, That all present rules, regulations and laws, in conflict with our new Constitution, be hereby forever annulled.

Time of Synod was extended thirty-five minutes.

Committee on Vacancies reported the following:

Report of Committee on Vacancies.

1. *Nebraska City.*—Our interests in this city have greatly suffered for about three years, in consequence of litigation over the question of the ownership of the church property. This legal question, however, will soon be decided by the Supreme Court of the State. Until such decision is reached, we can do nothing special to promote our church interests there. Rev. Huber, the Traveling Secretary, spent some days several months ago visiting the Lutheran families and acquainting himself with the general prospects. The field is a favorable one; we would recommend it to the care of the Committee on Traveling Secretary.

2. *Yutan.*—This charge has been without a pastor since August the first. The people are united, and are anxious to secure a pastor as soon as possible. The charge requires one who can speak both the English and the German languages. A salary of five hundred dollars can be raised. There is a good church and a splendid parsonage, and no indebtedness upon them. By special arrangement, Rev. Knight will occupy the pulpit every alternate Sabbath until a pastor can be secured. No action is required on our part.

3. The Oakland pastorate, composed of the Oakland, Tekamah and Grace congregations, has been vacant since the last of September. We recommend that the Committee on Traveling Secretary look after the interests of this point.

4. *Laramie City.*—It has been vacant a month. This is a promising field, being organized a little over a year ago, with over a hundred members. It is a German congregation. Formal application was made to Rev. Huber, while President of the Synod, to aid it in securing a pastor, and we are informed by Bro. Huber that efforts are now being made to that end.

5. *Falls City.*—This organization was effected by Rev. Griffith on the 31st of last March, with seven members. It has two lots, of the value of $500. Several of the brethren have preached there at different times since the organization.

6. *Morrill, Kansas*, is ten miles from Falls City. Since July last this congregation has had no preaching. It has 51 members, and a church property worth $1600.

Your Committee would recommend that the Falls City and Morrill congregations, under the direction of the President of Synod, unite in forming a new pastorate, with preaching stations at Humboldt and Pawnee City.

Respectfully,

L. L. LIPE,
H. W. FRICKE,
H. O. OPSAL.

Resolved, That the report of the Committee on Homer Academy be made the first order of business this evening.

Pending the report of the Committee on Cheyenne, Synod adjourned.

The President appointed Committees Nos. 18 and 19.

No. 18. *Committee on Standing Committees*—Revs. John N. Lenker, J. Gutleben, W. C. McCool.

No. 19. *Committee on Difficulties*—Revs. C. Huber, Wm. Rosenstengel, J. N. Zimmer.

Adjourned with prayer.

MONDAY EVENING.

7:30 P. M.

Report of Committee on German Conference.

Committee on German Conference reported the following:

We learn through the Secretary that this Conference had one meeting during the year, in May last, in the charge of Rev. Fricke.

This meeting was well attended by the members of Conference. Practical and doctrinal subjects were discussed. Among the former the work among the Germans and the importance of training young men for the ministry received special attention. Sunday was devoted to Missions.

Not having the minutes of Conference, your committee is unable to report anything in regard to the action of Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. KUHLMAN,
B. F. PUGH,
J. BENDER.

Report of Committee on Homer Academy.

Mr. President and Brethren: Your Committee appointed to confer with the citizens of Homer concerning their informal proposition to us looking toward our establishing of a school in that place, and authorized, under definite instruction, to act in the matter for the Synod, beg leave to offer the following report:

October 1, 1886, we met at the village of Homer with the "Joint Stock Improvement Company" of that place. The interview was very satisfactory Whilst the village itself was not very inviting, the thrift and promise of the neighboring country was very pleasing. The people had great expectations, too, of a railroad through Homer leading from Sioux City.

First securing the services of Rev. W. C. McCool, of this Synod, to act as

principal of the school for one year, at such salary as he might be able to collect as tuition from the patronage, we entered into written contract with the Homer Board to occupy the premises gratuitously offered from that date to August 31, 1887.

The school was opened October 18th by Prof. McCool, with an attendance the first day of eighteen pupils. Prof. and Mrs. McCool managed the school to the entire satisfaction of the Committee, and their public examinations and other exercises during the closing week of the scholastic year were very gratifying to all. The enrollment during the year was forty-two. Much credit is due to Prof. and Mrs. McCool for the successful effort put forth by them in the school at Homer.

The railroad prospect of Homer not having brightened during the year, and the village not proving to be altogether satisfactory socially and in the matter of accommodations for the students, there was a disposition on the part of the management to listen to propositions from other points in northeastern Nebraska, for it seemed clear to the Committee that the academy should be continued somewhere in that region. Our Committee, however, having no power to act for the Synod in such case, we simply received propositions which were made for the future academy by Wayne and Homer, and at once sent them early in July to our General Synod Board of Education. At this time the work of the Committee was so planned that the next term of school would open after the meeting of Synod and according to its directions. At this juncture very unexpectedly we received information of the postponement of Synod to a date too late for the opening of school to succeed it and hold the students. The Committee therefore found itself in an emergency requiring immediate action. Students were ready for the opening of the second year, and the Principal had foregone the privilege of other fields of usefulness to serve the Synod farther in this capacity. Realizing this situation, the Committee felt impelled to act promptly.

The Committee had apprised Homer of the fact that it had recommended the Wayne proposition to the Board of Education of the General Synod as the place for the permanent location of the academy. Therefore your Committee did not feel free or at all welcome to ask Homer for another temporary opening of the academy in that place. And the time having come when it was necessary to find temporary quarters for the academy, already in operation one year, for its second year. The Committee met August 22, 1887. The chairman of the Committee, thinking that nothing could be done, did not appear. The remainder of the Committee met, however, and having received an offer of a convenient room, suitably furnished, felt warranted to make the proposed change, and at once proceeded to arrange for instructors till further direction could be given by Synod.

Accordingly, school opened on September 15th, with thirteen students. There were present at this opening, besides the principal and his assistants, the citizens' committee of Wayne, and other prominent citizens, all of whom were highly gratified.

Therefore we offer the following

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That we ask this Synod to ratify the action of the Committee.

2. That Synod ask the Board of Education of the General Synod to establish the proposed academy at Wayne, Neb.

3. That the Synod make it the duty of every pastor within reasonable reach of the academy to make vigorous efforts to secure a liberal patronage of students.

4. That this Synod authorize this Committee to raise, if necessary, a sum not exceeding $400, to supplement the salary of the principal of the academy.

5. That this Synod appoint a Committee whose duty shall be the oversight of this institution until properly established and incorporated.

6. That the expenses of the Committee in the discharge of their duty during the past year, and in the future, be defrayed from the treasury of the Synod.

Respectfully submitted, L. F. M. EASTERDAY,
J. C. JACOBY,
M. L. MELICK.

BEATRICE, NEB., *Oct.* 3, 1887.

Adopted item by item.

1. Adopted.
2. Adopted.
3. Adopted.
4. Being amended and adopted.
5. Adopted.

Report of Committee on Cheyenne.

Your Committee appointed to visit Cheyenne attended to its duty in October, 1886. We held four services, and left nothing undone to aid us in obtaining an intelligent view of the situation. We found the Germans organized into what was called the German Lutheran Church of Cheyenne, but really a Congregational body served by a minister of that denomination. As soon as we arrived, the enemy went to work to dissuade the people from attending our German services, and succeeded. There were only a few present. The only good result from our visit with reference to this congregation was that it changed its charter and is now in title what it was before in reality—The German Congregational Church of Cheyenne.

We found a Scandinavian General Synod Lutheran congregation in existence, and, as there is no prospect there for an organization in any other language, we made a report to the Church Extension Board and recommended that the lots we have there should be ceded to these brethren, but our request was only partially granted.

ADAM STUMP,
WM. ROSENSTENGEL.
J. N. LENKER.

Adopted.

Synod then passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Synod endorse the late action of the Board of Church Extension in reference to the lot matter at Cheyenne, Wyo.

Report of the Secretary of the Board of Education.

Rev. J. S. Detweiler, its Secretary, made a verbal report, supplemented by the following resolution:

WHEREAS, We have heard with pleasure of the successful founding of Midland College, and recognize the greatness of the work before the General Synod's Board of Education; therefore be it

Resolved, That we apportion one hundred dollars among our charges for the benefit of said Board.

Report of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society.

BEATRICE, NEB., SEPT. 29, 1887.

To the President and Members of the Nebraska Synod: I do not forget the duty formerly imposed upon me of reporting briefly to your body the doings of our Society. As we hope this year to secure your permission to have bound with the minutes of your present session the proceedings of our annual Convention, which closed at the opening of yours in the city of Beatrice, it is not deemed necessary to extend this report.

Very respectfully, MRS. L. F. M. EASTERDAY,

Synodical Cor. Sec'y W. H. and F. M. Society of the Synod of Nebraska.

Adopted.

On motion, Synod adjourned with prayer, to meet to-morrow morning at 8 o'clock.

SIXTH DAY—FIRST SESSION.

TUESDAY, OCT. 4, 1887, 9 A. M.

Synod opened in due form at the appointed time.

Supplementary Report of Examining and Education Committee.

1. Rev. H. C. Roernaess, an ordained Lutheran minister, but at present unconnected with any Lutheran Synod, applies for admission into this body. He has exhibited his ordination papers. Having heard oral testimony as to this brother of a satisfactory character, we recommend that his request be granted.

2. F. Gabert, an ordained minister from Germany, applies for admission into this Synod. The Committee have examined his ordination and other

papers, and recommend that he be received under the provision of Formula of Discipline, Chapter XVII., Section 6, latter clause.

3. An application for beneficiary aid has been presented by Mr. A. S. Hardy, of Morrisburg, Ontario, Canada, a graduate of Hartwick Seminary.

We recommend that this application be referred to Rev. Detweiler for further correspondence, with power to grant aid not exceeding one hundred dollars, if the case prove satisfactory in his judgment.

4. Applications for beneficiary aid have been presented by Messrs. Walker and Olson. The Committee present these applications to the judgment of Synod.

5. A letter from Mr. W. C. Eckhart, expressing his desire to prepare for the Gospel ministry, and asking advice of Synod relative to his studies. We recommend that the letter be referred to the President of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

J. G. GRÖNMILLER,
JULIUS WOLFF,
J. S. DETWEILER (except No. 1),
WM. ROSENSTENGEL,
W. F. EYSTER,
CHR. MOESSNER.

Adopted item by item.

Resolved, That we recommend to Mr. E. H. Walker the prosecution of his studies the present year, with the assurance of help from Synod next year.

On motion, it was decided to apportion Synod $458 for Beneficiary Education. Carried.

Report of Treasurer of Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of Nebraska Synod.

To the Members of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska, Greeting:

Herewith I beg to submit my report of moneys received and disbursed since the meeting of Synod one year ago, to wit:

RECEIPTS.

For Home Missions	$32 86
" Foreign Missions	33 37
" General Fund	155 23
" Lincoln Church Building	79 95
" India Hospital	118 20
" Synodical Societies' Treasury	27 06
Making the total receipts	$446 67

DISBURSEMENTS.

For stationery, postage and printing	$7 48
Remitted to General Treasurer of W. H. and F. M. Society for the various objects of the Church at large	419 61
Making the total disbursements	$427 09

Only seventeen of the churches connected with the Synod of Nebraska have made regular reports and contributions to this Society, which is but a small proportion of all the congregations connected with Nebraska Synod.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. C. J. ERNST,

LINCOLN, NEB., *Sept.* 24, 1887. *Syn. Treas. W. H. and F. M. S.*

Adopted.

The following bills were presented and ordered paid:

Synod of Nebraska, debtor, to traveling expenses of its Committee on Education during the past Synodical year as follows:

To J. C. Jacoby	$7 25
To M. L. Melick	3 25
	$10 50

Synod of Nebraska, debtor, to expenses of Constitution Committee for printing:

To G. H. Schnur	$6 50

In the case of Bro. Naffzieger, the following was adopted:

That Bro. W. F. Naffzieger be aided for the coming year to the amount of $100, provided he place himself unreservedly under the direction of the Committee on Education, and report regularly to them.

Supplementary Report.

Your Committee on Reception of New Congregations would report the following:

That we have examined papers from the following named congregations, and their petitions to be admitted to this Synod:

1. St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Homer, Dakota co., Neb.
2. The Bergen Evangelical Lutheran Congregation of Rapid City, Dak.
3. St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Congregation of Hastings, Neb.

We recommend that the St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran congregation of Hastings, and the Bergen Evangelical Lutheran congregation of Rapid City, be requested to adopt and present to Synod the Constitution recommended by the Board of Home Missions of the General Synod; and that the Homer congregation be connected with the Dakota charge.

G. H. ALBRIGHT,
F. SPRIEGEL,
J. J. STEIN.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolutions.

WHEREAS, The various denominations in Nebraska have taken special interest in the Western Chautauqua at Crete, Neb.; and

WHEREAS, It is intended to make this a place for the yearly assembling of Christian and Sabbath-school workers, without regard to name or denomination; therefore,

Resolved 1, That we, as the representatives of a great and growing branch of the Christian Church, at once take measures to do our part and be properly represented in these public and general assembly meetings at Crete.

Resolved 2, That a Committee be appointed, which shall be intrusted with the duty of securing the necessary means for the building of suitable Lutheran headquarters at a moderate cost on the beautiful grounds at Crete; said Committee shall not involve the Synod in any debt.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That one page of cover of Minutes be devoted to an advertisement of Midland College, Atchison, Kansas.

Report of Committee on Western Conference.

The Committee on Western Conference respectfully report that as no papers or oral statements respecting this Conference have been given them, they are unable to furnish Synod with any information relative to its proceedings.

Respectfully submitted, W. F. EYSTER,
C. KRUEGER.

Report of Committee on Parochial Report.

Committee No. 4, on Parochial Report and State of Religion, beg leave to offer the following report:

1. *On State of Religion.*—We are unable to give a full report. Only seven written statements were given to the Committee. These statements show a gradual improvement in the spiritual condition of those charges.

2. *On Parochial Reports.*—The Committee desire to enter protest against the great carelessness manifested by many of the brethren in the filling out of the blank forms, necessitating great labor on the part of the Committee.

(1) We ask that hereafter every one will very carefully follow the printed directions.

(2) We urge strongly that all parochial reports be handed in at the beginning of the session. Every pastor can have his report ready before coming to Synod.

(3) A question—Why were there so many excommunications?

(4) The Committee also desire to call attention to the incompleteness of the statistics, and to the entire lack of any report from some of our congregations.

3. We recommend that hereafter there be an additional Committee appointed on the State of Religion.

Respectfully submitted, GEORGE H. SCHNUR, JR,
JONAS BENDER,
W. T. GROMMISCH.

Adopted.

Committee on Letters and Papers.

Your Committee to whom were entrusted certain letters and papers, would respectfully report that they have carefully examined the same, and beg leave to present the following:

1. This is a communication from the Nebraska Conference of the Augustana Synod concerning a division of missionary efforts.

Inasmuch as the committee to present these resolutions is not present to fully explain the same, and inasmuch as the matter referred to concerns very largely the Board of Home Missions, your committee would recommend—

First, That a committee of two be appointed from this body to meet with said committee, to hold a conference with the same in reference to these resolutions.

Second, That we request the Board of Home Missions to permit their Western Secretary to act in connection with the committee of Synod.

2. This is a paper from the joint council of the Oakland Charge, signed by Mr. G. A. Crannell, clerk of the joint council, stating that the charge has been divided, and they ask this body to ratify this division.

It is the judgment of your committee that this action is premature, and we would kindly ask the joint council of said charge to reconsider their action and continue in their former relation at present.

3. Is a communication from Rev. B. Sickel, making application for Home Mission aid. We respectfully refer this to the Advisory Mission Committee of this Synod.

4. Is a communication from Prof. E. S. Breidenbaugh, Chairman of the Committee on Benevolence appointed by the General Synod. Inasmuch as the delegates of this Synod to the General Synod will refer to the same item, we deem it unnecessary to do so in this report.

5. Is a communication from Rev. J. C. Zimmerman, Secretary of the Board of Church Extension. He calls our attention to the *Missionary Journal*. We commend this valuable monthly to every minister and member of our Synod. He further greatly regrets that he is not able to be present at this meeting of our Synod, but states that he would request that Rev. J. N. Lenker, their special representative, be heard on this important subject. We recommend that Bro. Lenker be heard.

J. S. DETWEILER,
W. ROSENSTENGEL,
J. N. LENKER,
R. NEUMAERKER,
C. HUBER.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Apportionment.

Your Committee beg leave to distribute the following sums among the congregations:

Pastors.	Congregations.	Number	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Church Extension	General Synod	Beneficiary Education	Synodical Treasury	Board of Education
Albright, G. H.	Beatrice	58	$12 76	$11 60	$12 76	$1 16	$8 70	$5 80	$2 32
Andreason, F. M.	Rapid City, Dak.	20	4 40	4 00	4 40		3 00	2 00	80
Augustine, I. N.	Carlton	23	5 06	4 60	5 06		3 35	2 30	92
Baird, C.	Dakota, Neb.	83	18 26	16 60	18 26	1 66	12 45	8 30	3 32
Beckman, C. J.	Cheyenne, W. T.	40	8 80	8 00	8 80		6 00	4 00	1 60
Bond, J.	Ohiowa	70	15 40	14 00	15 40	1 40	10 50	7 00	2 80
Detweiler, J. S.	Omaha	156	34 32	31 20	34 32	3 12	23 40	15 60	6 24
Dirks, J. H.	Febing	210	46 20	42 00	46 20	4 60	36 50	21 00	8 40
Eyster, W. F.	Waverly	50	11 00	10 00	11 00	1 00	7 50	5 00	2 00
Fisher, C. L. T.	Sidney	30	6 60	6 00	6 60	60	4 50	3 00	1 20
Fricke, H. W.	Hooper	250	55 00	50 00	55 00	5 00	37 50	25 00	10 00
Griffith, J. G.	Auburn	97	21 34	19 40	21 34	1 94	14 55	9 70	3 88
Grönmiller, J. G.	Hanover, Kan.	115	25 30	23 00	25 30	2 30	17 25	11 50	4 60
Grommisch, W. T.	St. Joseph, Mo.	37	8 14	7 40	8 14	74	5 55	3 70	1 48
Gutleben, J.	Fontanelle	83	19 36	16 60	19 36	1 66	12 45	8 30	3 32
Hansen, H. P.	Denver, Col.	34	7 48	6 80	7 48	68	5 10	3 40	1 36
Jacoby, J. C.	West Point	71	15 62	14 20	15 62	1 42	10 65	7 10	2 84
Kimmel, J. W.	McCook	40	9 90	9 00	9 90	80	6 00	4 50	1 60
Kossick, M.	Ridgley	35	7 70	7 00	7 70	70	5 25	3 50	1 40
Kuhlman, J. F.	Roca	81	17 82	16 20	17 82	1 62	12 15	8 10	3 24
Kreager, C.	Ponca	86	18 92	17 20	18 92	1 72	12 90	8 60	3 44
Lipe, L. L.	Lincoln	51	11 22	10 20	11 22	1 02	7 60	5 10	2 04
Lushei, P. L.	Greenleaf, Kan.	20	4 40	4 00	4 40	40	3 00	2 00	80
Melick, M. L.	Wayne	48	10 56	9 60	10 56	96	7 20	4 80	1 92
Moessner, Ch.	Columbus	130	28 60	26 00	28 60	2 60	19 50	13 00	5 20
Neumaerker, R.	Barada	82	18 04	16 40	18 04	1 64	12 30	8 20	3 28
Opsal, H. O.	Laramie, W. T.	75	16 50	15 00	16 50	1 50	11 25	7 50	3 00
Pugh, B. F.	Rising City	41	9 02	8 20	9 02	82	6 15	4 10	1 64
Rosenstengel, Wm.	Grand Island	95	20 90	19 00	20 90	1 90	14 25	9 50	3 80
Scheibel, F. W.	Amazon	30	6 60	6 00	6 60	60	4 50	3 00	1 20
Schnure, G. H.	Benedict	49	10 78	9 80	10 78	98	7 35	4 90	1 96
Schnure, G. H., Jr.	Omaha	42	9 24	8 40	9 24	84	6 30	4 20	1 68
Schumann, H.	Boheet	44	9 68	8 80	9 68	88	6 60	4 40	1 76
Schwarz, F.	Gothenberg	52	11 44	10 40	11 44	1 04	7 80	5 20	2 08
Shrader, A. B.	Grand Island	35	7 70	7 00	7 70	70	5 25	3 50	1 40
Siekmann, H.	Hastings	60	13 20	12 00	13 20	1 20	9 00	6 00	2 40
Spriegel, F. W.	Centre Valley	64	14 08	12 80	14 08	1 28	9 60	6 40	2 56
Starner, K. J.	Kearney	76	16 72	15 20	16 72	1 52	11 40	7 60	3 04
Stump, Adam	North Platte	74	16 28	14 80	16 28	1 48	11 10	7 40	2 96
Thoele, Wm.	Carrico	37	8 14	7 40	8 14	74	5 55	3 70	1 48
Thomsen, C.	Home, Kan.	33	7 26	6 60	7 26	66	4 95	3 30	1 32
White, R. A.	Oakland	88	19 36	17 60	19 36	1 76	13 20	8 80	3 52
Wolff, J.	Sterling	28	6 16	5 60	6 16	56	4 20	2 80	1 12
Vacant	Ponca	38	8 36	7 60	8 36	76	5 70	3 80	1 52
Vacant	Yutan	24	5 28	4 80	5 28	48	3 60	2 40	96
Totals		666	22	574 20	666 22	48 02	458 00	305 55	100 04

ADAM STUMP,
D. H. SHULTZ,
S. WHITEHORN,
Committee.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the new Synodical Constitution be printed in German, and be bound with the German minutes.

Report of Committee on Kaiser and Klockenmyer.

Your Committee appointed last year to visit Revs. Kaiser and Klockenmyer have done their work, and would report the following:

That the case of Kaiser and Klockenmyer be referred to the President of Synod and the German Conference of the Nebraska Synod.

G. H. ALBRIGHT,
W. F. EYSTER,
J. G. GRÖNMILLER,

Adopted.

The following report of delegates to General Synod was read and adopted.

Report of Delegates to the General Synod.

According to appointment, the thirty-third convention of the General Synod was held in Omaha, Neb., June 1st to 13th, 1887. With the exception of the absence of one delegate-elect, the Nebraska Synod was represented by a full delegation.

An accurate abstract of the proceedings was published in the *Lutheran Observer* and *Hausfreund*, and a printed copy of the official report has lately been placed in the hands of every pastor of the Synod. Your representatives therefore need do little more than call your attention to a few points this Synod will do well to notice with some special action.

(1) *Orphan Homes.* The several orphanages of the General Synod have a claim upon us. Though none are located on our territory, we yet should feel an interest in the church's care of orphans, and should make at least an annual contribution for their support. We suggest that pastors bring this good cause to the notice of their congregations.

(2) *Children's Day.* It was recommended that the Sunday nearest the 25th of June (Augsburg Day) in each year be recognized by the General Synod as Children's Day, and that special collections be taken upon that day for the support of the orphans' homes of the General Synod.

(3) *More Ministers.* It was resolved that the General Synod urge the councils of our congregations to hold stated meetings for prayer and consultation on the subject of ministerial education, and selecting young men in their fields who they believe should prepare for the ministry, and in public and private lay upon them their responsibility and privilege. We recommend that the President of Synod communicate with church councils on this subject.

(4) *Deaconesses.* We are glad to report that there is a growing interest in the establishment within our church of an order of Deaconesses, and that the subject may receive the largest endorsement, we suggest that this Synod by resolution signify its hearty approval of the project now entrusted to a special committee, and also that the Secretary notify the General Synod Committee of our endorsement.

(5) *Church Membership.* In order to establish a rule preventing the improper reduction of our church rolls, it was resolved as follows: "That it is

the sense of the General Synod that no one can be dropped from the rolls of church membership on earth except in one of three ways, viz: by death, by honorable transfer, or by excommunication."

(6) *Cultivation of Beneficence.* By resolution the various Synods of the General Synod are urged to appoint committees for the purpose of cultivating the grace of liberality and collecting the offerings of the congregations. We suggest that the President appoint such committee.

(7) *Missions.* On this subject we desire to give emphasis to the recommendations of the different Boards. (*a*) That the pastors give the *Missionary Journal* their hearty sympathy and active support by commending it to their people from the pulpit. (*b*) That pastors and Sunday-school superintendents organize Children's Foreign Missionary Societies in their schools and keep the claims of the cause constantly before the young people. (*c*) The India College so auspiciously inaugurated should be completed with all possible dispatch, and those whom God has especially blessed with large means should have their attention called to this worthy cause. (*d*) That all our pastors and Sunday-school superintendents be urged to coöperate with the Board of Home Missions in the laudable effort to reach the children by the use of the Sunday-school Home Mission envelopes.

(8) *Board of Education.* The appointment of the Board of Education was reaffirmed and the action of the Board as presented in their biennial report endorsed. In order to the prosecution of the work entrusted to them, they were authorized to secure from the Church the sum of five thousand dollars annually for two years. In view of this action, we recommend that this Synod raise its proportionate share of the above-named amount by an apportionment to all the churches.

(9) *Apportionment.* Our Synod has been apportioned on a basis of 2569 communicants, and for the following amounts: Foreign Missions, $571; Home Missions, $666; Church Extension, $666; General Synod Treasury, $37. To this should be added $100 for the Board of Education Treasury, making a total of $2040. We believe this apportionment is just, and recommend that Synod take suitable measures to have this amount paid into the respective treasuries of the Church.

Respectfully presented by the Delegates,

J. S. DETWEILER,
C. HUBER,
J. G. GRÖNMILLER,
H. P. HANSEN,
L. L. LIPE,
WM. ROSENSTENGEL,
L. F. M. EASTERDAY,
J. A. STEIN,
ROBERT WEIDENSALL,
G. H. TROUTMAN,
WM. EBRIGHT.

Committee on Dakota City Charge reported. Report laid on the table for one year.

Supplementary Report of the Committee to Nominate Standing Committees.

Your Committee would nominate the following as Committee on our academy at Wayne, Nebraska: Rev. J. C. Jacoby, Prof. L. F. M. Easterday, and Rev. M. L. Melick.

J. N. LENKER,
J. GUTLEBEN,
W. C. McCOOL,
Committee.

Your Committee appointed to inquire into certain matters between two of the brethren of Synod, would report that this matter has been peaceably settled. Respectfully submitted,

J. N. ZIMMER,
WM. ROSENSTENGEL,
C. HUBER.

Committee No. 21—On communication from Nebraska Conference of Augustana Synod: Revs. Detweiler, Huber and Lenker.

Moved and carried that Rev. Opsal act as Scandinavian Secretary until the next meeting of Synod.

Resolved, That this Synod make provision at this Convention to pay the interest due on the money which was loaned to the congregation at Kearney, by special arrangement of the Home Mission Board, with the understanding that this Synod provide for the interest. The amount now due is about two hundred dollars.

Resolved, That the Committee on Benevolence make special arrangements to provide for the interest on the loan for the Kearney church.

Rev. L. L. Lipe was re-elected as a member of the Executive Committee of Synod.

Rev. G. H. Schnur, Jr., was elected Statistical Secretary.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Synod be instructed to write G. A. Crannell, Secretary of Joint Council of Tekamah charge, recommending that said Council reconsider their former action and continue Rev. R. A. White as their pastor.

Place of next meeting left to the officers of Synod.

Adjourned by singing the doxology, and prayer.

A. B. SHRADER.
Secretary.

MINISTERIUM.

BEATRICE, NEB., OCTOBER 2, 1887.

The Ministerium convened at 4:15 p. m.

Called to order by the President.

Opened with prayer.

Committee No. 16, On Papers, presented the following report, which was adopted as a whole:

Report of Committee No. 16—On Papers.

The documents placed in the hands of your Committee consist of the journal, two skeletons, and a sermon of Rev. W. C. McCool, a licentiate of this Synod.

The journal shows a commendable activity in the preaching of the Word of God, considering the extra labors of the school room.

The skeletons are well outlined, and of a practical nature, designed to accomplish much good.

The manuscript is a well prepared sermon, setting forth the Lutheran view of the work of the Holy Spirit in a clear and instructive way.

Your Committee recommend that Bro. W. C. McCool be ordained.

J. F. KUHLMAN,
J. G. GRIFFITH,
J. ZIMMERMAN.

Time extended fifteen minutes.

Examining Committee offered the following report:

Report of the Examining Committee.

Your Examining Committee respectfully report:

1. Licentiate C. A. Roos, detained from this meeting of Synod by severe illness, sends a brief statement of ministerial acts in his present field, Pueblo, Col., and asks renewal of license. We recommend that his request be granted.

2. The following brethren, licentiates ad interim of this Synod, viz.: Carl Krueger, J. F. Mueller, A. Jatho, and F. Schwarz, have appeared before the Committee, and submitted to examination on the topics prescribed by the Formula of Government and Discipline. They are hereby recommended for ordination.

3. C. J. Beckman, a licentiate of the Synod of Northern Illinois, has been laboring for some months within our bounds, under commission of the Board of Home Missions. He has presented a statement of ministerial acts, and submitted to an examination. We recommend the renewal of his licensure.

4. K. J. Starner, a licentiate of this Synod for several years, has stated to the Committee for the first time, that he was ordained to the gospel ministry nearly eight years ago, by Bishop Beckman, in Sweden, but that his ordination papers had been lost on his removal to this country. We recommend the renewal of his licensure for another year, and that in the meantime, the officers of Synod write to Sweden and endeavor to secure documentary evidence of his ordination, so that his proper standing may be satisfactorily determined.

J. G. GRÖNMILLER,
JULIUS WOLFF,
CHR. MOESSNER,
W. F. EYSTER,
WM. ROSENSTENGEL.

Adjournment to meet at 7 o'clock.
Prayer.

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7 p. m. Ministerium met according to motion.
Opened with prayer.
By resolution, Rev. K. J. Starner was asked to make a statement to the Ministerium on his own behalf.
Adjourned until after public exercises.

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9 p. m. Ministerium called to order.
Opened with prayer.
The officers of Synod were appointed a Committee to inquire into matters between Revs. Starner and Beckman.
On motion, Sunday evening was appointed for ordination services.
On motion, Sunday, 4 p. m., was appointed for German sermon on ordination. Adjourned with prayer.

A. B. SHRADER,
Secretary.

PAROCHIAL

Pastors' Names and Addresses.	Congregations, Names of	PAROCHIAL.													
				Losses.			Accessions.						Finances.		
		Churches.	Stations.	Death.	Certificate.	Excommunication and all others.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmations.	Certificate.	Restoration.	Communicant Membership.	Estimated Value of Church Property.	Indebtedness.	Local Expenses for Parish, Union.
Albright, G. H., Beatrice, Neb.	Trinity	1	.	.	4	. .	5	4	5	8	.	58	$9000 00	$3000 00	$
Anderson, Chas., Potter, Neb.		.	1	.	.	. .	2								
Andreason, F. M., Rapid City, Dak.	Evangelical Luth	1	2	.	.	2	8	.	. .	6	14	20	1500 00	300 00	
Laramie, Wyo.	Trinity	1	.	1	11	1	22	.	2	. .	.	123	4000 00	70 00	
Aughey, S., LL. D., Lincoln, Neb.															
Augustine, I. N., Carleton, Neb.															
Baird, C., Covington, Neb.	Salem	1	1	.	6	. .	5	1	1	6	.	53	3300 00	. . . . .	
	St. Paul's	1	.	.	3	. .	5	1	. .	10	.	19	. . . . .	. . . . .	
Beckman, C. J., Cheyenne, Wyo.	First Scandinavian	1													
Cook, S., Springfield, Neb.															
Detweiler, J. S., Omaha, Neb.	Kountze Memorial	1	.	3	20	. .	18	2	6	6	5	156	100000 00	11000 00	
Dirks, J. H., Febing, Neb.	St. John's	1	.	15	.	1	39	.	11	4	.	210	6000 00	. . . . .	
Eyster, Wm. F., Crete, Neb.	Trinity	1	.	.	.	. .	3	1	2	2	.	50	3200 00	35 00	
Fisher, C. L. T., Sidney, Neb.	Trinity	1	1	.	.	. .	4	2	3	. .	.	30	3000 00	500 00	
Frank, John, Laramie, Wyo.															
Fricke, H. W., Hooper, Neb.	St. Paul's	1	4	2	3	. .	63	.	14	. .	.	250	2000 00	100 00	
Fultz, H. C., Yutan, Neb.	Zion's	1	1	1	.	. .	2	.	. .	1	.	24	4500 00	200 00	
Griffith, J. G., Auburn, Neb.	St. Paul's	1	.	.	5	18	7	1	1	7	.	46	4000 00	. . . . .	
	Trinity	1	.	.	2	.	. .	5	8	10	.	51	2000 00	. . . . .	
Grönmiller, J. G., Hanover, Kan.	Zion's & St. John's	2	.	2	.	. .	22	.	17	. .	.	115	5000 00	400 00	
Grommisch, W. T., St. Joseph, Mo.	Zion's	1	.	1	3	6	24	.	10	1	.	37	5400 00	. . . . .	
Gutleben, J., Fontanelle, Neb.	Salem's	2	.	5	.	. .	25	.	10	. .	.	83	1500 00	. . . . .	
Hall, E. J., McCook, Neb.															
Hansen, H. P., Denver, Col.	Trinity	1	.	.	.	1	. .	.	14	. .	.	34	7300 00	3750 00	
Huber, C., Yutan, Neb.	Synod. Travel. Sec.														
Jacoby, J. C., West Point, Neb.	Evangelical Luth	1	.	2	1	. .	5	1	. .	3	4	60	3500 00	80 00	
Jatho, A., Hooper, Neb.															
Kimmel, J. W., McCook, Neb.	Trinity	2	3	.	.	. .	2	.	10	1	.	20	3250 00	1800 00	
Klockenmeyer, H.															
Knight, L., Yutan, Neb.															
Kossik, M., Ridgely, Neb.	St. John's	1	1	1	.	. .	15	.	. .	. .	.	33	1100 00	. . . . .	
Kuhlman, J. F., Roca, Neb.	Zion's	1	.	1	.	2	. .	.	.	1	.	30	2500 00	500 00	
Krueger, C., Ponca, Neb.	Salem's German	1	3	.	.	1	7	.	4	. .	.	86	600 00	. . . . .	
Lenker, J. N., Grand Island, Neb.	West. Sec., B.C.E.														
Lipe, L. L., Lincoln, Neb.	St. Mark's	1	.	.	.	. .	6	1	. .	5	2	51	8000 00	2450 00	
Ludwig, A. T., West Point, Neb.															
Luscher, O. L., Greenleaf, Kas.	St. John's	1	3	.	.	2	12	.	5	. .	.	20	900 00	550 00	
McCool, W. C., Wayne, Neb.	Prin. of Academy.														
Melick, M. L., Wayne, Neb.	St. Paul's	1	1	.	7	. .	2	.	2	5	.	48	3400 00	900 00	
Moessner, Chr., Columbus, Neb.	St. John's	1	2	10	.	. .	22	.	16	. .	.	130	2500 00	. . . . .	
Mueller, J. P., Wayne, Neb.	St. Paul's German.	2													
Neumaerker, R., Barada, Neb.	St. Peter's	3	1	4	2	. .	52	.	9	. .	.	82	3850 00	850 00	
Opsal, H. O., Laramie, Wyo.	Trinity	1	1	1	.	. .	3	.	. .	. .	.	75	3600 00	. . . . .	
Rosenstengel, Wm., Grand Island, Neb.	St. Paul's German.	1	.	4	2	. .	38	.	11	3	.	93	2000 00	*700 00	

REPORT.

Legal Expenses for Local Purposes.	SUNDAY-SCHOOL. Union.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Contributions.	Members of Children's Missionary Society	BENEVOLENCE. General Synod.	Synodical Treasury.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Beneficiary Education.	Woman's Mis. Soc.	Pastors' Fund.	Orphans' Home.	External Objects.	Total Benevolence.
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28	.	6	40	15 00	. .	. . . .	. . . .	10 00	5 00	5 00	6 00	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	26 00
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84	.	4	80	6 00	. .	3 00	6 00	18 00	15 00	9 00	5 00	. . . .	$2 00	. . .	166 00	204 00
168	.	6	70	15 00	50	5 00	6 40	6 60	12 00	11 60	5 00	24 25	1 00	. . .	93 00	164 85
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84	.	12	40	. . . .	. .	1 00	3 00	4 00	4 00	18 00	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	. . .	10 00	40 00
168	.	12	75	62 79	. .	2 00	3 50	14 92	13 60	7 10	7 10	32 69	. . .	. . .	130 00	190 91
84	.	3	34	. . . .	. .	25	1 50	3 25	3 20	4 30	5 00	. . . .	. . .	. . .	4 00	21 50
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84	.	6	30	7 50	. .	1 00	3 00	6 00	6 00	5 00	5 00	. . . .	. . .	. . .	15 15	41 15
84	.	1	25	7 25	. .	2 00	6 55	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	. . . .	. . .	. . .	5 00	53 55

PAROCHIAL.

Pastor's Names and Addresses.	Congregations, Names of.	Churches.	Stations.	Losses. Death.	Losses. Certificate.	Losses. Excommunication and all Others.	Accessions. Infant Baptisms.	Accessions. Adult Baptisms.	Accessions. Confirmations.	Accessions. Certificate.	Accessions. Restoration.	Communicant Membership.	Financial. Estimated Value of Church Property.	Financial. Indebtedness.	Financial. Local Expenses for the Parish.	Other Offices and Teachers.
Schiebel, F. W., Amazon, Neb.	St. Paul's	2	2	2	.	. .	5	.	.	.	.	30	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . .
Schnur, G. H., Benedict, Neb.	Bethel	1	.	.	1	. .	4	1	1	2	.	40	$1525 00	$160 00	$25	. .
Schnur, George H., jr., Omaha, Neb.	St. Mark's	1	.	.	.	. .	17	2	5	14	21	42	5000 00	2500 00	130	1
Schumann, H., Boheet, Neb.	St. Paul's	1	1	2	.	. .	11	.	3	.	.	44	2000 00	200 00	150	1
Shrader, A. B., Grand Island, Neb.	St. Paul's	1	.	.	1	. .	18	1	2	8	3	35	20000 00	4000 00	180	2
Shultz, D. H., Potter, Neb.																
Sick, Chr., Fontanelle, Neb.																
Siekman, H., Hastings, Neb.	St. Paul's	2	.	3	18	. .	14	.	3	.	.	60	1500 00	. . . . .	180	1
Spriegel, F. W., Center Valley, Neb.	St. Luke's and St. Paul's	2	.	16	.	. .	39	.	12	.	.	64	1500 00	. . . . .	65	1
Starner, K. J. Kearney, Neb.	Evan. Lutheran	4	2	1	.	. .	21	.	11	4	.	76	4050 00	2125 00	300	1
Stuechlin, G. F., Arago, Neb.																
Stump, Adam, North Platte, Neb.	Evan. Lutheran	1	2	.	1	55	19	1	28	4	.	74	12000 00	2000 00	675	1
Sickel, Geo., Rockport, Mo.																
Schnur, G. H., Benedict, Neb	Zion's	1	.	.	.	. .	8	.	.	.	.	9	600 00	. . . . .	60	. .
Jacoby, J. C., West Point, Neb	Grace	1	.	.	.	. .	1	.	.	.	.	11	100 00	. . . . .	6	. .
Kimmel, J. W., McCook, Neb.	First of Franklin	1	.	.	3	. .	1	.	4	.	.	23	2550 00	300 00	120	. .
Kuhlman, J. F., Roca, Neb	St. Paul's of Morrill, Kan.	1	.	.	.	. .	1	.	1	5	.	51	1700 00	. . . . .	100	. .
Pugh, B. F., Rising, Neb.	First	1	3	1	.	3	3	.	2	.	2	41	4650 00	800 00	300	1
	Trinity	1	.	.	.	. .	3	.	.	.	.	.	600 00	. . . . .	6	. .
Thœle, Wm., Carrico, Neb.	St. John's	1	.	.	.	. .	3	.	.	.	.	37	125 00	. . . . .	8	. .
Thomsen, Chr., Home, Kan.	Immanuel's	2	.	.	.	. .	18	.	.	.	.	33	1700 00	200 00	90	1
Tjaden, M. J., Lennox, Dak.	Immanuel's	1														
White, R. A., Oakland, Neb.	Immanuel and others	3	.	.	4	. .	13	1	5	3	1	88	6000 00	1100 00	75	3
Wolff, Julius, Sterling, Neb.	St. John's	1	.	4	.	. .	17	.	4	.	.	28	. . . . .	. . . . .	20	1
Zimmer, J. N., Elk City, Neb.																
Zimmerman, J., Dakota City, Neb.																
Schwarz, F., Gothenberg, Neb	Zion's	1	1	3	.	. .	3	.	.	.	.	52	100 00	. . . . .	70	. .
Bond, J., Ohiowa, Neb.	St. John's and Immanuel's	2	.	1	1	. .	17	.	13	6	.	70	. . . . .	. . . . .	90	3
Dakota City Neb.		1	.	.	.	. .	.	.	.	.	.	14	. . . . .	. . . . .	. .	. .
Nebraska City, Neb.																
Falls City, Neb.		1														
Ponca, Neb.	Salem's	2	.	.	.	. .	.	.	.	.	.	38	. . . . .	. . . . .	10	. .
Totals 1887		73	36	86	98	92	554	25	256	124	52	3051	$265000 00	$42570 00	$3600	27
Totals 1886		60	34	60	39	9	556	34	236	198	44	2569	212050 00	34794 00	3170	25
Increase		13	2	26	59	83	. .	.	20	. .	8	482	$52950 00	$7776 00	$430	2

SUNDAY-SCHOOL.					BENEVOLENCE.										
Churches.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Contributions.	Members of Children's Missionary Society.	General Synod.	Synodical Treasury.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Beneficiary Education.	Woman's Mis. Soc	Pastors' Fund.	Orphans' Home.	External Objects.	Total Benevolence.
	4	30	. . . .	. .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	$20 00	. . . .	. . . . .	$20 00
	6	47	$24 00	. .	$ 50	$5 59	$10 81	$8 00	$43 61	$8 97	$20 00	. . .	. . .	. . . . .	97 48
	16	120	54 17	. .	60	3 50	8 00	13 00	6 60	6 60	5 36	. . .	. . .	$89 00	132 66
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	20	100	180 00	. .	1 00	5 00	8 00	18 00	119 00	7 00	20 45	. . .	. . .	40 00	218 45
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